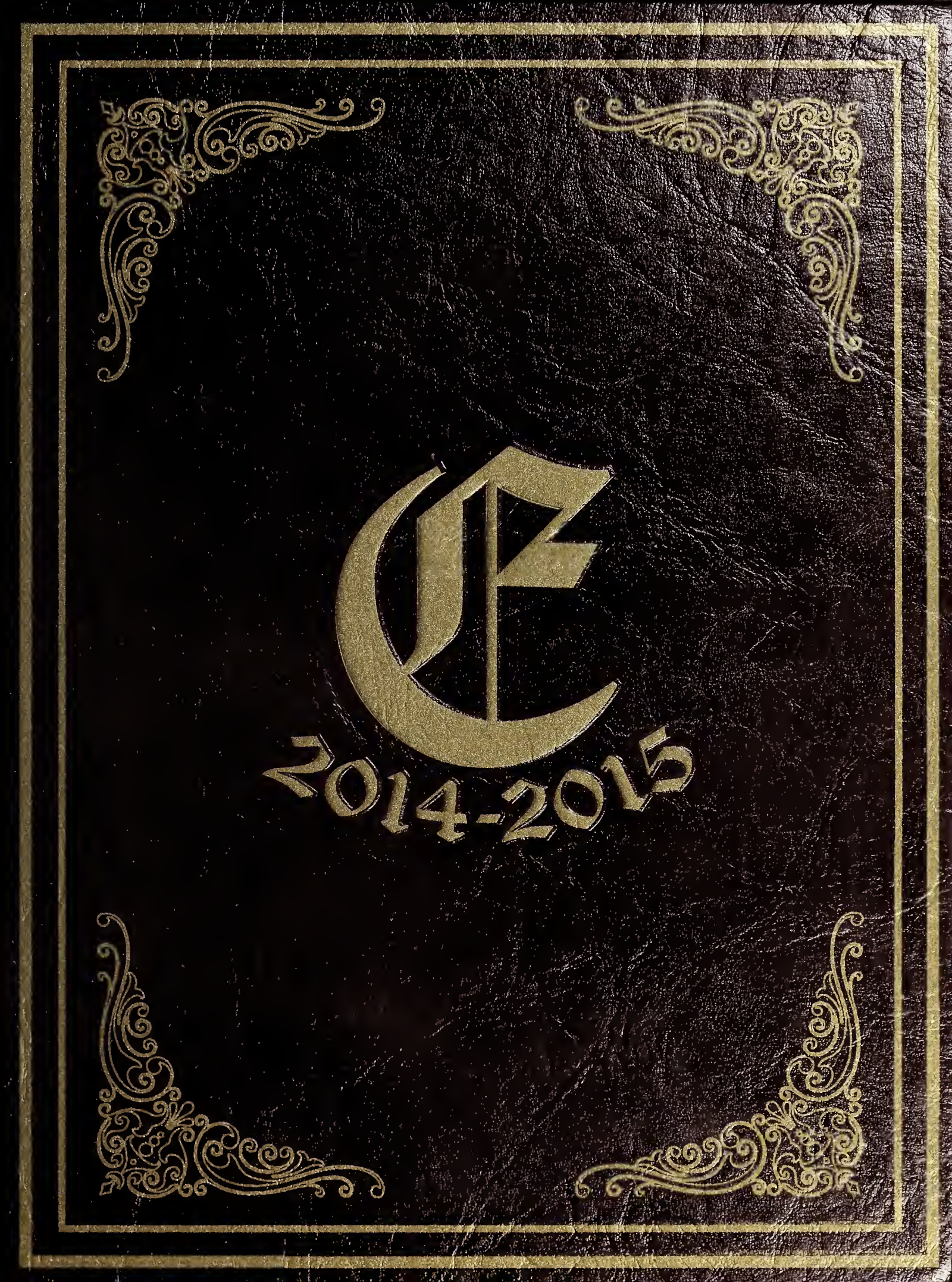

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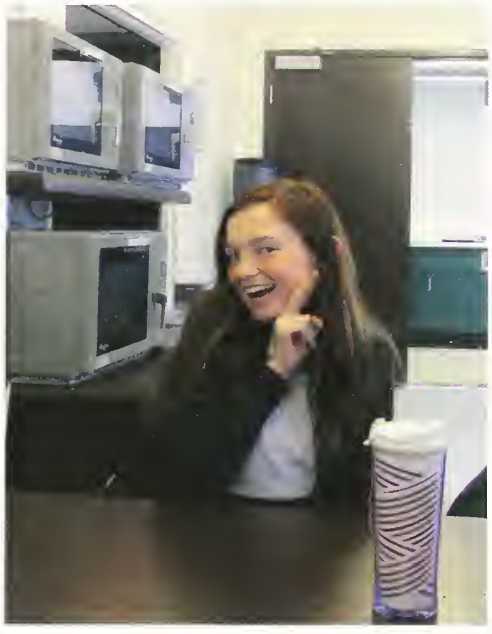
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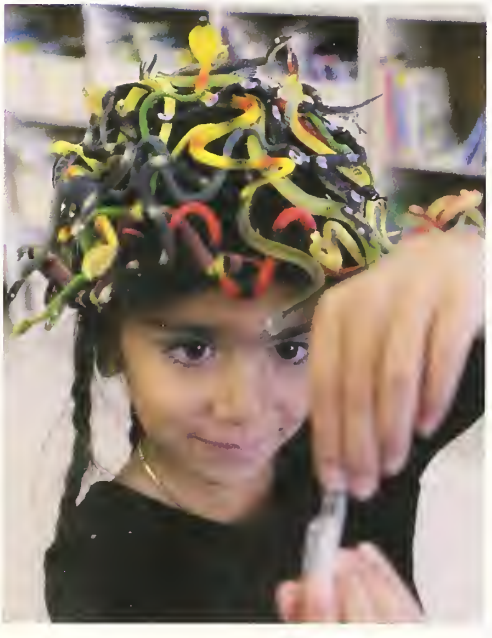













OF THAT!!
How does scent affect memory?



The Year in Review

September

Once upon a time in a land far away, Elmwood girls were getting ready for their first day. The school year was starting, their minds were fresh anew, there was so much to learn and so many things to do. With a flick of a wand *Camp Elmwood* arrived, whisking the girls on a fantastical ride. With games, spirit and magic fluttering around, every corner had something exciting to be found. Moments later the barks of dogs resound, circling the fields and playing on the school grounds. *Keller Dog Day* was an absolute blast, bringing joy and cheer that will definitely last. It is almost month's end when the girls tie their shoes, getting ready for a race, there is no time to lose. *Run for the Cure* kept Elmwood on their feet, running or walking together on the street. Community, new beginnings and House cheers we sing, Elmwood can't wait for what the year will bring.





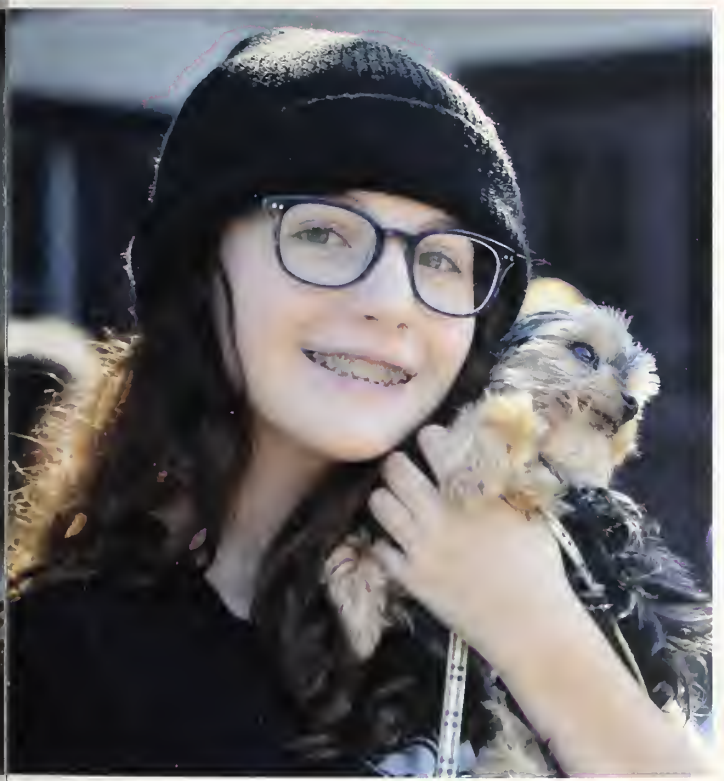









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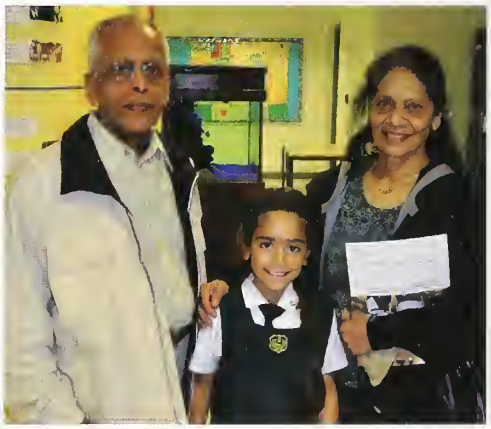


October

Grandparents arrive from far far away, visiting the school during *Grandparent's Day*. The *Fall Festival* was a marvelous success, with painting and activities that were sure to impress! Moments later something is amiss, the school is filled with superheroes and princesses waiting for a kiss. It is *Halloween* at Elmwood and the girls are happy as can be, there is a Haunted house somewhere inhabited by a ghost named Cathy. The teachers are dressed up, as are students too, Elmwood is abuzz with excitement, there are so many things to do. From school work in classrooms to sports on the fields, to catch all the action you've got to keep your eyes peeled! Going about their business with an elegant twirl, "you can't catch me" they say "I'm an Elmwood girl".























November



With the swish of a wand, November appeared bringing together laughter and cheer. Scurrying and hurrying, busy as bees, Elmwood was preparing for three special festivities. *International Night* brought the world to our floor with cultural performances, food and prizes galore! Music, food and dancing as well, kept everyone joyful as if they were under a spell. *Nightingale Breakfast* was a magical morning, accompanied by a delectable breakfast, that sent our hearts soaring! Make A Wish Foundation was the charity of choice, raising money for children so they can rejoice. Before the calendar struck twelve, the *Holly Tea* flew by, Elmwood was excitedly waiting for the holiday season to arrive.

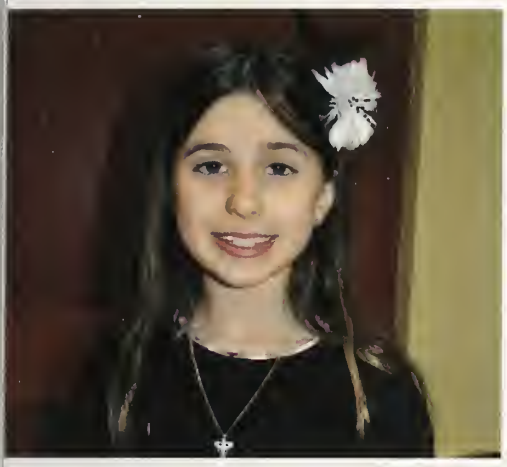








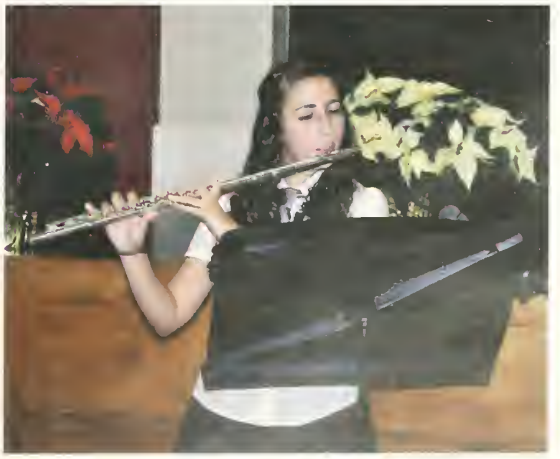












December

T'was the season of giving and upcoming cheer, for the students were excited - the holidays were near. *Soirée de la Francophonie* was fabulously chic, inspired by the culture of sunny Martinique. The students were excited for the break to begin, they tore the school apart, much to the teachers' chagrin. With tinsel, garlands and wrapping paper galore, *Holiday Madness* was anything but a bore! Door decorating and searching for Squawk, anxiously watching the ticking of the clock. A *Holiday Concert* and *So You Think You Can Dance*, added to the cheer days in advance.





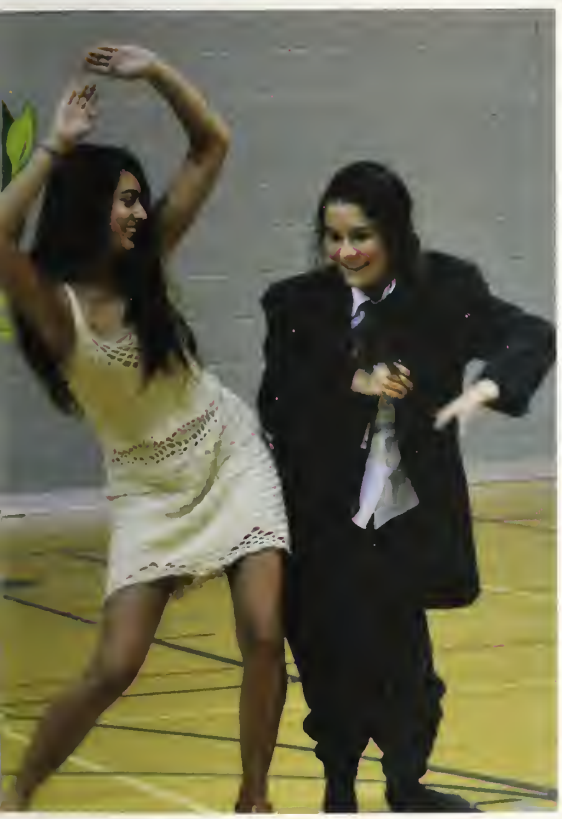












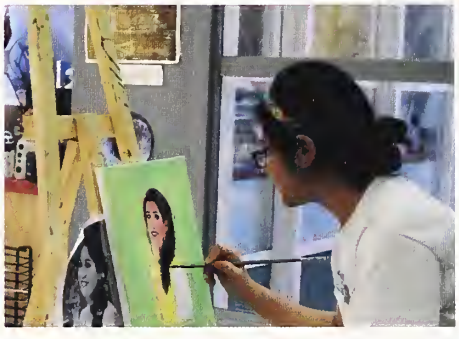


January

The clock has struck twelve and New Year is here, bringing the girls back with high spirits and good cheer. Experiential learning is out of the box, with *Winterim* activities, learning really rocks! From rockclimbing to baking to painting some scenes, the Elmwood community is where excitement is seen. What a contrast this is to first term in the woods, winter is cold but we have cozy parka hoods. To keep ourselves warm, we take on new endeavours, second term is sure to be a pleasure.

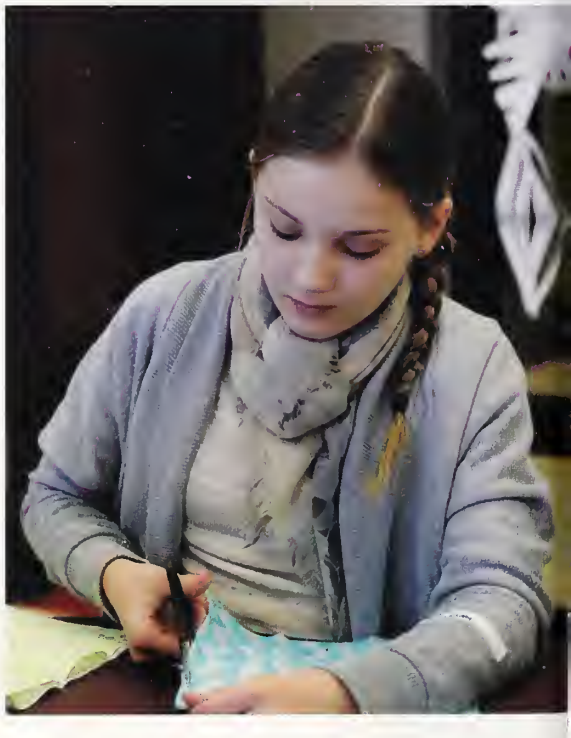


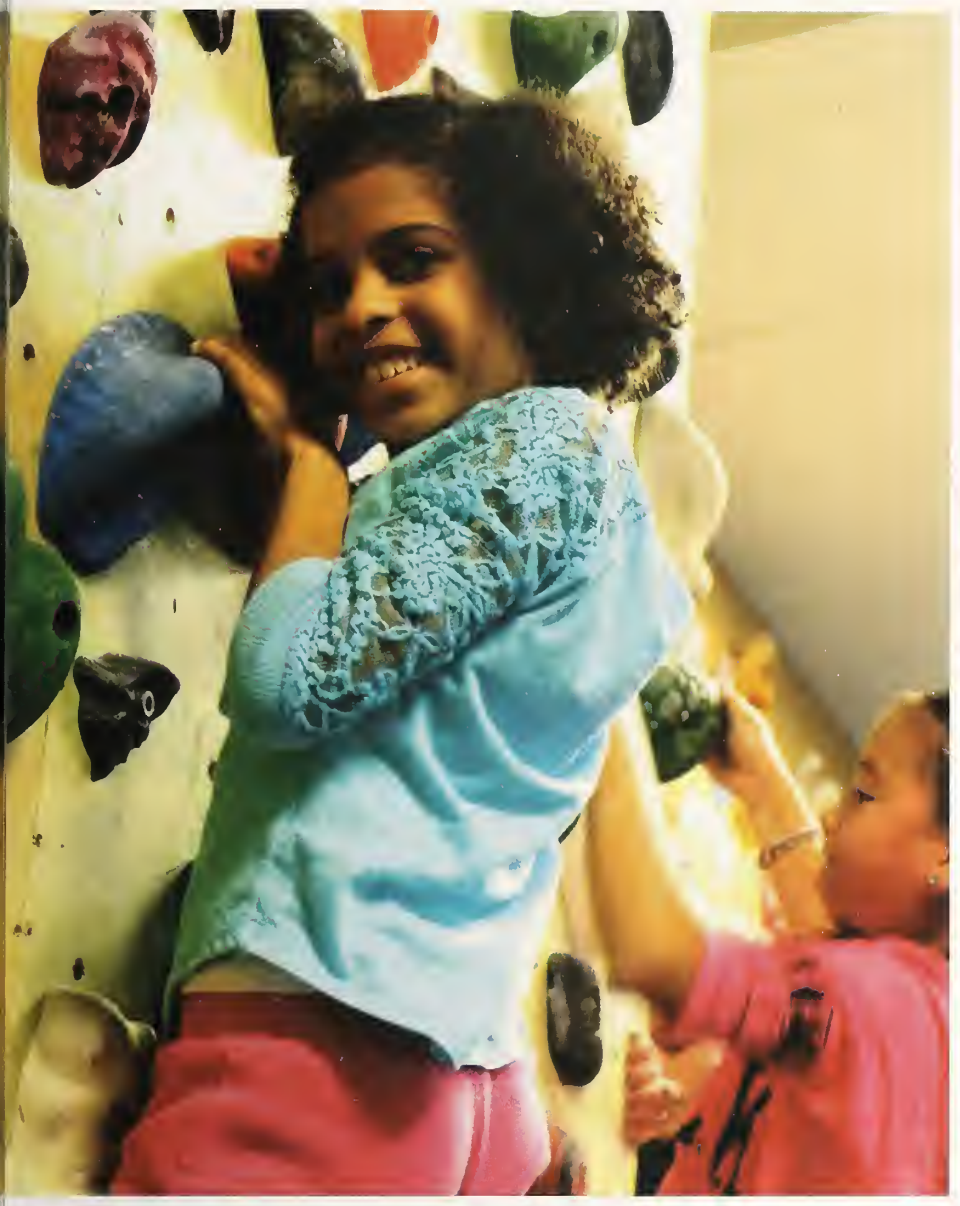

















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February



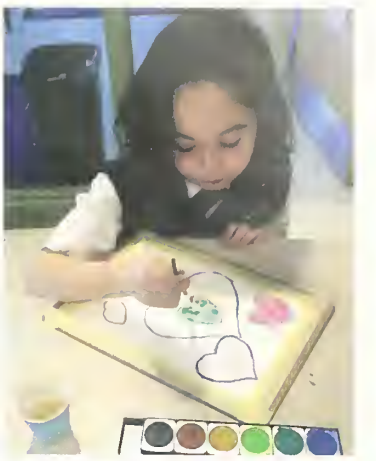
Jack Frost blew in and the weather was frigid, but *Spirit Week* was anything but rigid. Pyjamas, costumes and teachers in spirit, with imagination running wild, the sky is the limit. *Ski day* was a blast, enjoying the slopes and tubing so fast. Then down to the rink for hot cocoa and a skate, *Fry Skating Party* left us spinning attempting figure-eights. The excitement wasn't over, your chariot awaits, to take you to the *Father Daughter Dance*, on a dinner date. Before the month's end, *Health Week* would appear, serving up smoothies, yoga and ridding us of our fears. It's been a fabulous month spent with friends at the school, learning about things and generally being cool.














GAMES
+
PRIZES!





March

It is March in the woods and the girls are away, exploring and experiencing in every possible way. *Rowing* in the States and winning some medals, attending the *Regional Science Fair* learning about metals. Enjoying holidays in places far and near, packing their bags and all of their gear. Personal bests on the river, while others travel to cold places and shiver. *Self-defense* keeps the girls on their toes, and gets them screaming so that the whole school knows. The school is quiet and the halls are bare, awaiting the girls to occupy their desks and chairs.






UP, UP AND
AWAY




Bring On the Heat:
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MARVELLOUS MARCH!

April

April showers bring May flowers to the wonderful, whimsical woods. Frolicking at the *Wilson Fiesta,* fundraising as much as they could. Mocktails and spices heat up the night, dancing and singing under spring moonlight. Outside on the field chanting, "She scores, she scores", as the Soccer team heads to see the *World Cup* - but wait - there's more! It's time to showcase our art through the halls: paintings, drawings and dramatic vignettes - we all had a ball. Munching on nibblies and chatting with friends, boy-oh-boy the art never ends! *Celebration of Learning* brings this month to a close, with a happily ever after - next month, who knows?


















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May

Mary, Mary quite contrary how does Elmwood cope? With so much to do and so much to write - exams are upon us, oh no! *IB exams* are stealing our grads, leaving our halls empty of plaid. With the occasional "Whoop" as acceptances arrive, university fever is definitely alive! Heralding the unveiling of our new *Coat of Arms*, signalling the centennial with symbolism and charms. A new era for Elmwood begins, with a fancy new frock - don't forget to pull up your socks! Off to Montreal the future leaders go, to the *CAIS leadership conference* to reap what they sow. Running through the city and making new friends, they hope this experience will never end. The girls show their passion for civics and rights, presenting *YPI projects,* fundraising to new heights. Clean off your desk, organize your notes, exam season is coming, stay calm and keep yourself afloat.











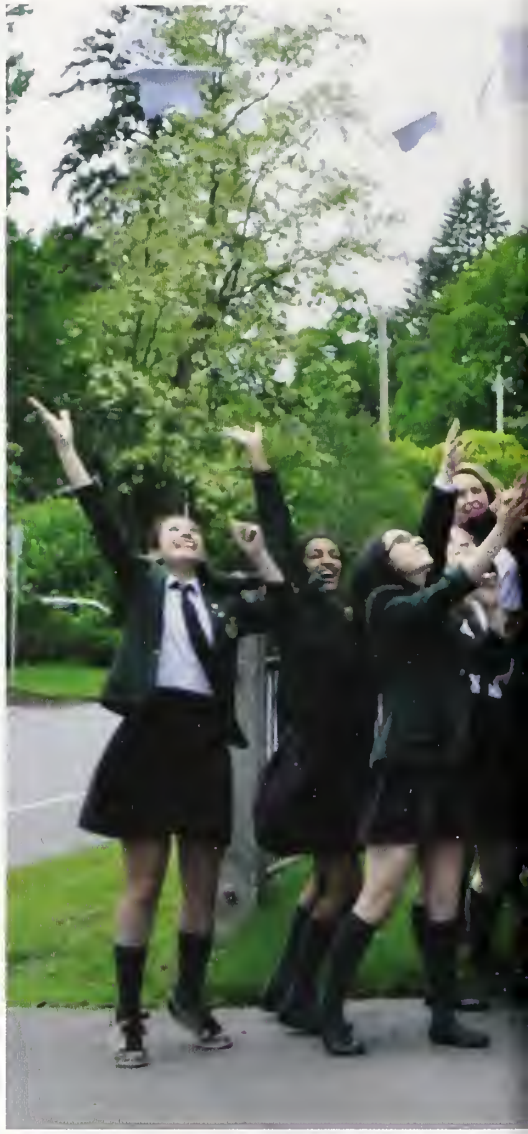

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June

Exams are over, here comes the fun. June marks the beginning of celebrating under the sun. A new generation of leaders must arrive, next year's prefects are in for a ride. Saying speeches and running for their position of choice, grade 11 students - let us hear your voice! *Planning for Our Planet* as we dig deep to our roots, finding solutions to pollution and soot. Sharing our thoughts and developing plans - Earth needs our help, let's do what we can! Spirit Afternoon shows our competitive streak, as we enjoy fun and games - we are far from meek. As we say goodbye to our grads, we all shed a tear as the *Rose Ceremony* brings an end to the year. But it is not all serious when it comes to the end, time to *Die the Prefects* who have been great friends! Shine your shoes, brush your hair, it is time for the biggest affair. Closing ceremonies is finally here, to celebrate our accomplishments, so see you next year!












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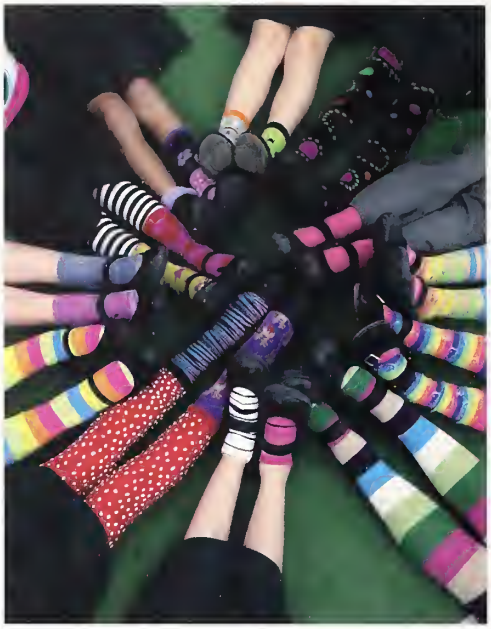



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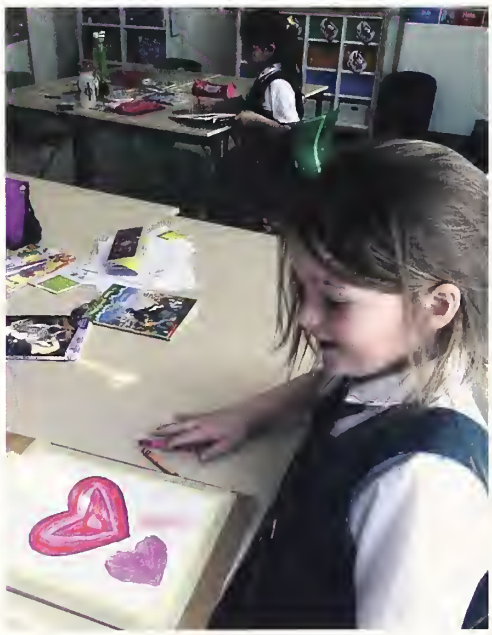


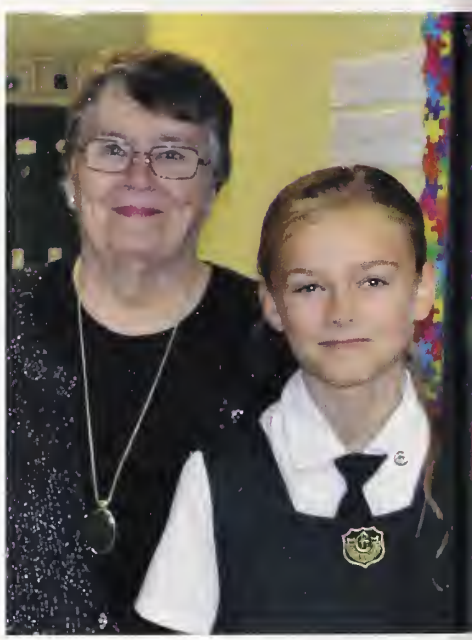





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Junior School

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Who is your favorite storybook character and why?

Emma Bettolli-Remonda: Elsa from Frozen, because she has ice powers.
Sara Elramahi: The Gingerbread Boy, because he is covered with candy.
Victoria LeBlanc: The big dog in "Big Dog, Little Dog", because he has a big red tongue



Emma Bettolli-Remonda



Sara Elramahi



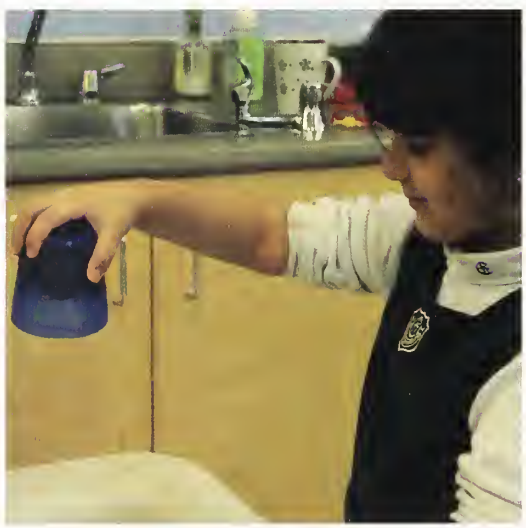
Victoria LeBlanc













The best thing about me is...

lympia Betts: I teach other people new things.
atilda Cook: I am really kind and I like playing with others.
smin Dhanani: I love school!

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Mira Acharya


Maryam Al Shehhi


Elizabeth Andersen


Olympia Betts


Matilda Cook


Yasmin Dhanani


Alexis Fincham-Dinsdale


Rose Jackson

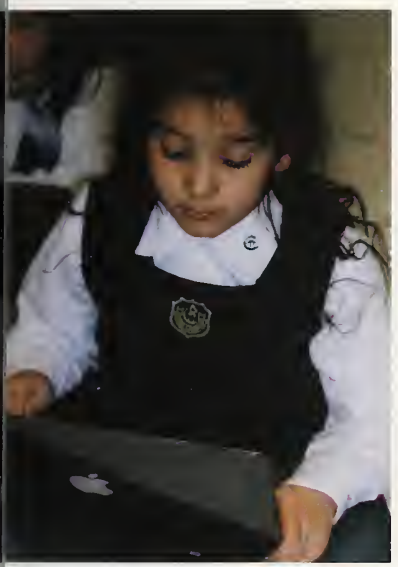

Daniella Lloreda


Angelina Montegrande-Arcenal


Isabel Morgan


McKenna Wu


Victoria Zhu







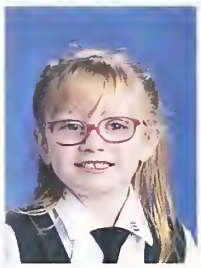




Grade 1

My biggest dream is...

Amelia Frauley: When I grow up I want to marry somebody.
Brooke Gillin: My biggest dream is to ride a unicorn.
Mila Saltel: My biggest dream is give people who can't afford food food.


Avery Aken


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Mia Bettolli-Remonda


Ryley Brambell


Amelia Frauley


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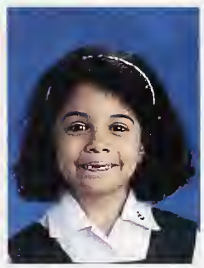

Clarissa Lauzon


Sarah Legault

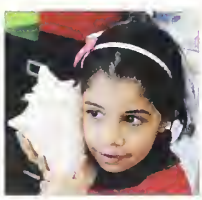

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Rowyn Pratte


Mila Saltel


Maria Tadros


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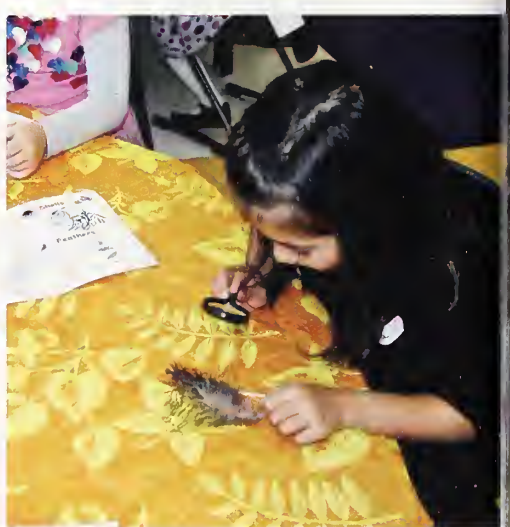












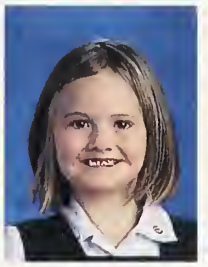
When I grow up I want to be...

ara Bhuji: I want to be a singer or a heart surgeon because my granddad had a heart attack two times.
bel Frauley: I want to be a video game tester or a horseback rider.
ire Zate: I want to be a botanist.

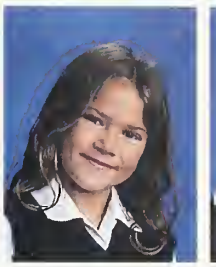
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Aya Al Khalili


Emma Beaudoin


Penelope Beever


Alys-Mia Benloulou


Diya Bhan


Imara Bhulji


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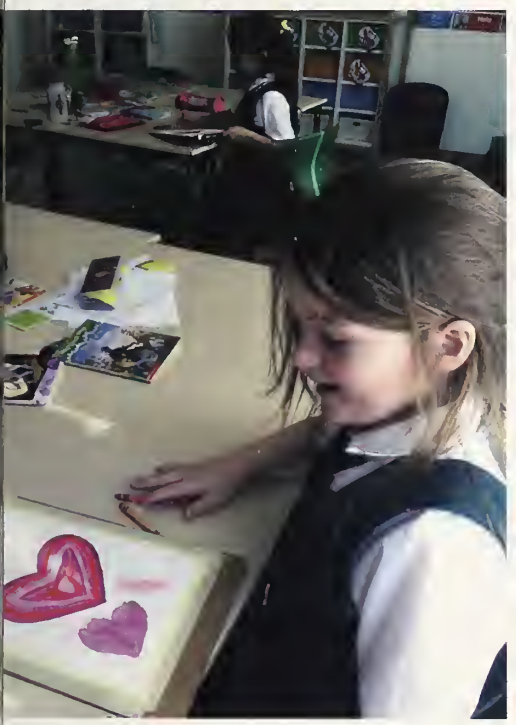

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Hannah Vermeij

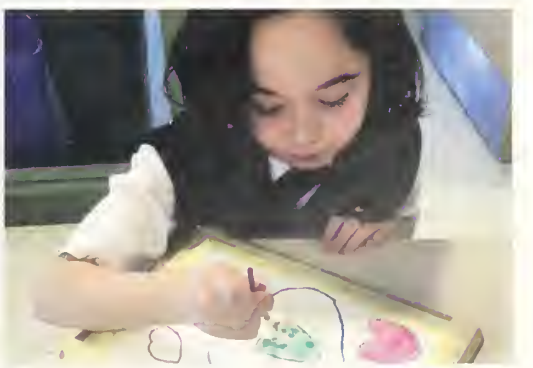

Ellena Waddington


Claire Zate









Grade 3

Who is your hero and why...

Sydney Little: Malala for being super brave and fighting for the rights for girls and making a difference in our world.
Saisha Vadiya: My Dad because he was a great cricket player and I want to play cricket someday too.
Clara White: Roald Dahl because he survived the war and went on to write amazing children's books.


Jayne Acharya


Avery Conrad


Francesca Cook


Ceili Halloran


Ciara Hurley


Francesca James-Brennan

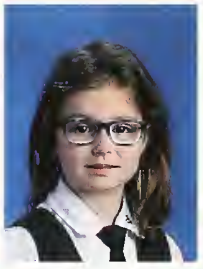

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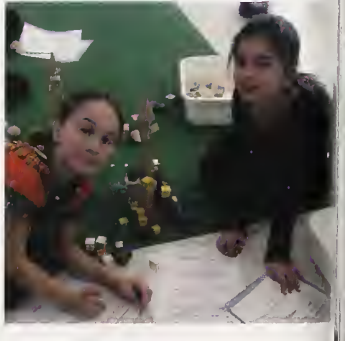














Grade 4

Once upon a time ...

)livia Howe: Once upon a time there was a girl who was always happy to get up and go to school.
ianna Lombardi: Once upon a time there was a magical school and a very lucky girl got to go there.
one Schotman: Once upon a time a girl named Igone would meet her friends at the school playground with the ggest smile on her face.


Zafreen Abdullah


Lujain AlJarallah


Maya Allen


Emma Farquhar


Alicia Gombos


Olivia Howe


Mikayla Johnson


Hailey Kay


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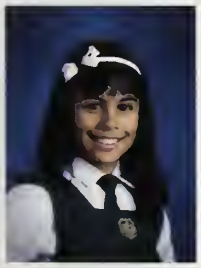

Samantha Rossi


Dahlia Rostom


Igone Schotman


Katja Simic-Lawson


Katherine Souaid


Bianca Sugunasiri


Sonja Swettenham









Grade 5

My biggest fear is ..

Celia Batchelor: Creepy-crawly thing
Zoe Lang: Exhibition
Lucy Tucker: The extinction of any type of ca


Celia Batchelor


Angelika Boehm


Alexandra Boushey


Kaylah Carruthers


Jane Covington


Jocelyn Emmerson

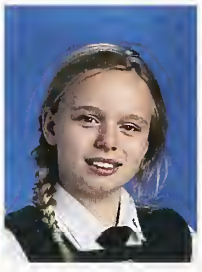

Keira Foti


Leya Ghantous


Miwa Hayashi


Lauren Jane Hudson


Kathryn Irving


Lydia James-Brennan


Grace Kremmel


Zoe Lang


Charlotte McLaughlin


Sophia Moloo


Avery Parkinson


Zahra Robertson


Sophia Roth Jones


Madighan Ryan


Miriam Tadros


Karina Tevanyan


Lucy Tucker


Ally Wilson


Marissa Wu







Middle School

Grade 6

My favorite book is... ...

Aisha Kafoud: Island of the Blue Dolphins
Maizie Solomon: The Eighth Day
Cate Woodhead: The Secret Garden


Sarah Allam


Lilly Allen


Didi Bredberg


Grace Brunner


Ambar Chaparro


Grace Charness


Madi Chwast


Victoria Devine-Ducharme


Sophie Glover


Claire Goldberg


Tara Hanson-Wright


Lauren Ho


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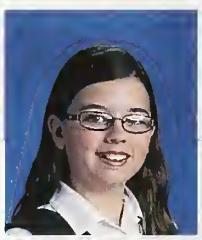

Claire Murray


Lilli-Angélique Potter-Dhieux


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Kailey Walker


Caitlin Walsh

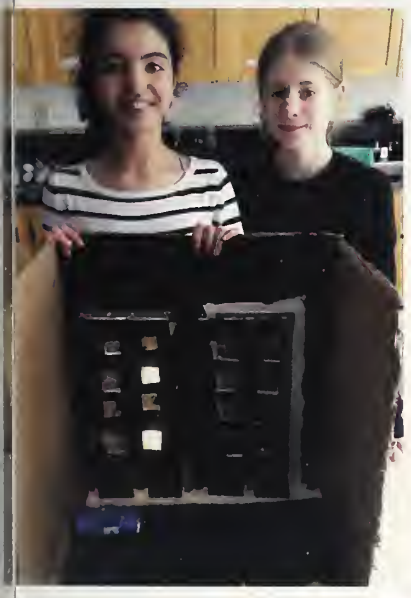

Cate Woodhead


Sofia Zate










Food from Around the World
Food Group
Nutrients







Grade 7

If you could be #1 at something, what would it be?

Maya Ladki: #1 British one
Isabel Smith: # 1 book lover
Rika Ochiai: #1 at going to Rika land


Alisha Abdul Rahman


Isabelle Barker


Caitlin Baxter


Sarah Brown


Leah Dickinson


Andrea Douglas


Arielle Farinha


Rutaaba Fasih


Hana Fukur


Hannah Goldstein


Mackenzie Johnson


Maya Ladki


Olga Lietsala


Natalia Morris


Rika Ochiai


Phoenix Plessas-Azurduy


Charlotte Pryor Hofley


Mattea Roth Jones


Allison Sedlezky


Isabel Smith

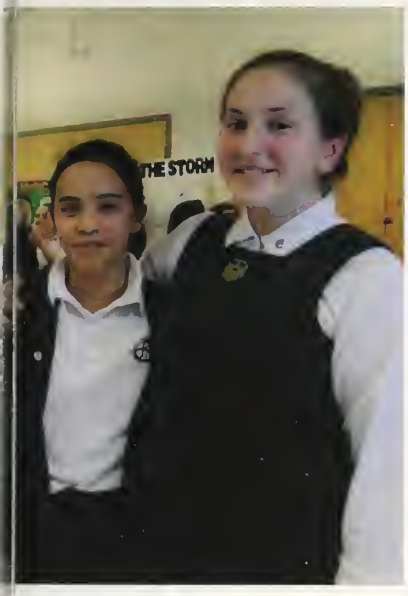

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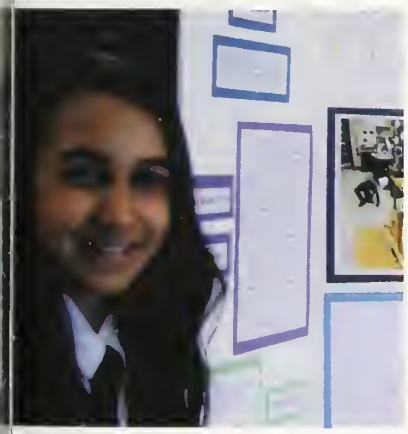


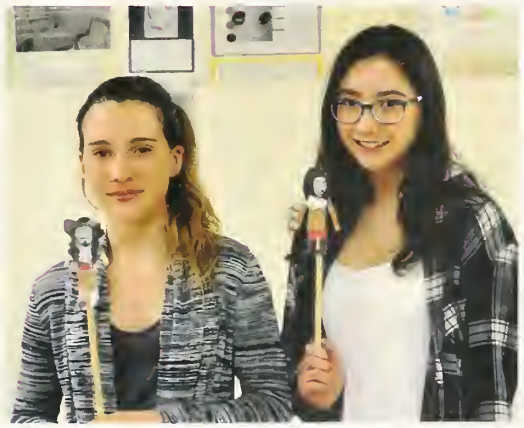


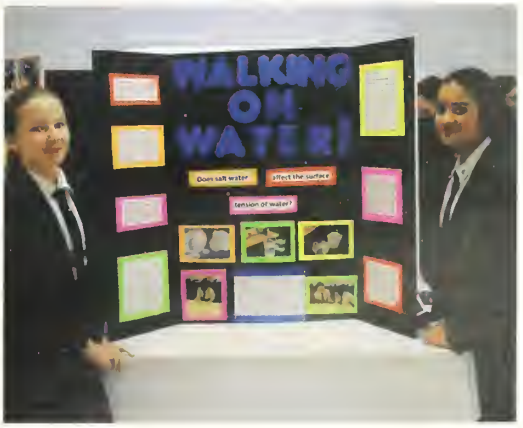



THE STORM








WALKING
ON
WATER!

Grade 8

In homeroom, I'm most likely seen...

Tara Rida: Having a conversation with everyone and doing people's hair.
Alexandra King: Playing on my iPad or talking to people.
Dalia Sawaya: I'm always late so


Charlotte Amannt


Ava Batchelor


Camille Beaulé


Emma Birchall


Emma Boushey


Anna Defelice


Grace Goldberg


Abbigail Hamre


Logan Iwanoff


Karen Jarvlepp


Zaina Khan


Alex King


Maya Kors


Jordyn Lalonde


Sophie Lamontagne Bothwell


Veronika Lassl


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Keiren McClelland


Evelyn Miller


Amanda Nightingale

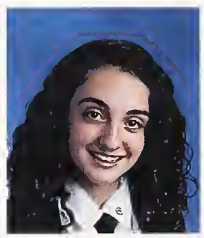

Charlotte Noxon


Kennedy Reid


Tara Rida


Spruha Sanghavi


Ailish Saranchuk


Dalia Sawaya


Isabella Thomas


Stephanie Townsend


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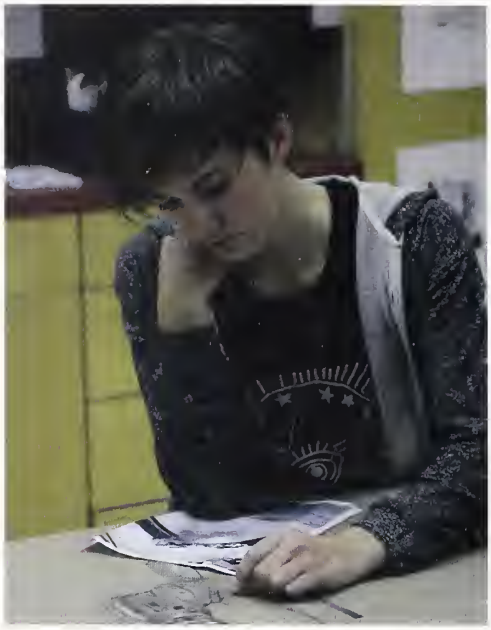

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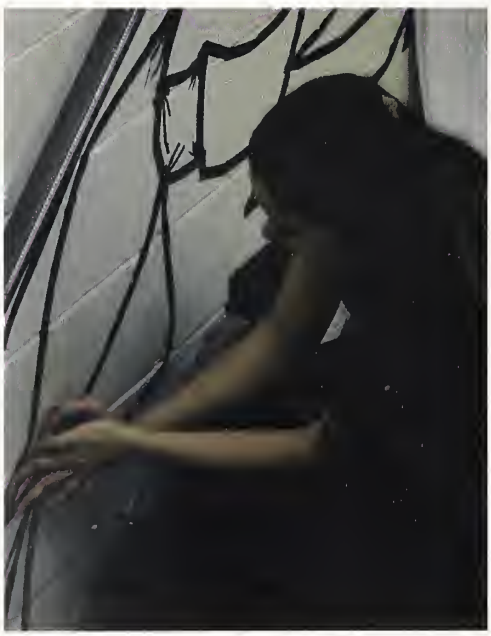



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RUGBY











Senior School

Grade 9

Most Likely to...

Brigitte McElligott: To survive being stranded on a desert island
Aya Yoshizawa: To resurrect Voldemort from the dead
Helen Zhao: To discover unicorns


Lyanna Abdul Rahman


Kristina Allatt


Ina Arora


Bronte Assadzadeh


Katharina Auster


Charlotte Bascombe


Florence Campbell


Caroline Capehart


Hannah Charness


Sharon Chen


Elizabeth Coulter


Diya Dadlani


Linnea Dalvi


Francisca Garcia


Regina Garcia


Leane Gaussorgues


Jackie Goldstein


Shannon Howarth


Hannah Keough


Katherine Keough


Carine Ladki


Jacqueline Law


Kyra Ling-Jay


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Elizabeth Milne


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Eva Sabine


Brooke Van Haastrecht


Ava Vandenbelt


Rebecca Walker


Fiona Wang


Caelyn Want

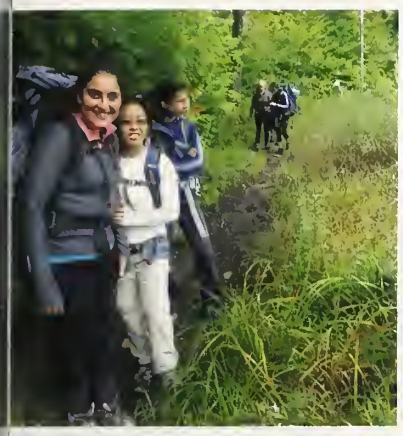

Tory Woodhead


Aya Yoshizawa


Emma Young

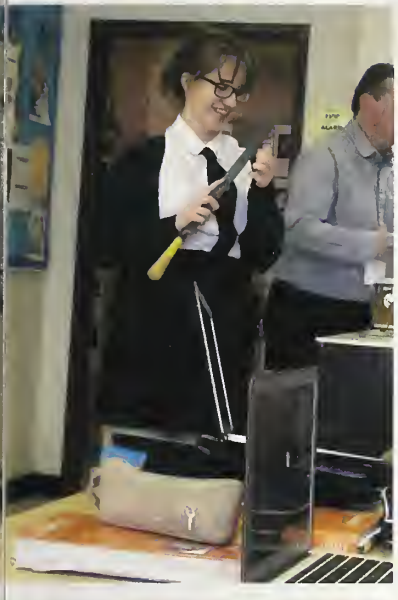

Leen Zaghloul


Helen Zhao



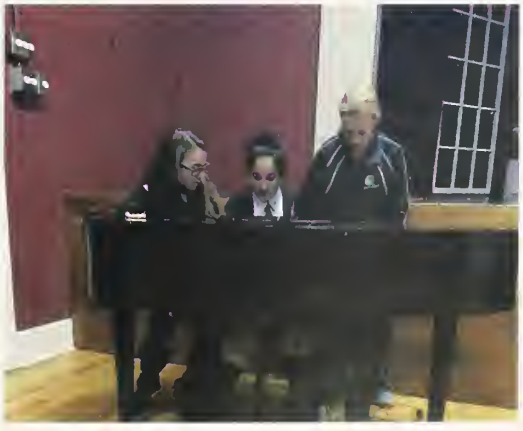














Grade 10

What is one item that you cannot live without?

Zoe Auclair: Bottle o' pushpins
Emily Bangsboll: Bottle o' Jenga pieces
Brittany Cooper: Bottle o' Cheez Whiz


Vera Abd El Malek


Bakiza Al Khalili


Laura Alexander


Monica Alicea


Zoé Auclair


Emily Bangsboll

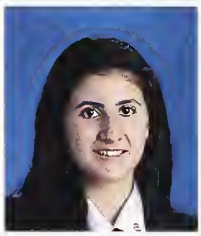

Sophie Barker


Kylie Brownlee


Sian Bryson


Brittany Cooper


Julia Crystal


Hoda Darwish


Dora Deng


Eleanor Duffley


Dana El-Ramahi


Sijyl Fasih


Claudia Finak-Fournier


Mia Fitzpatrick


Mallory Fung Kee Fung


Erica Giustiniani

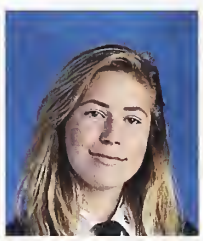

Sydney Greenley


Ciara Halloran


Emily Hartvich


Helen Hume


Emma Hunter


Sarah Jackson


Katya Jansen Poulin


Madeleine Klebanoff O'Brien


Wenxin Lian


Heather Lounder


Eryn Lundrigan


Maya Mainland-Gratton


Sheetza McGarry


Elizabeth Moloney


Pooja Moorti


Lily Newberry


Yizhou Peng


Allegra Richter


Emma-Rose Robinson


Sarah Robinson

Myriam Rostom

Cynthia Sedlezky



Alexa Shabinsky



Britney Smith



Aimi Sugihara



Sophia Swettenham



Brianna Trudel



Emma Trudel



Qinchen Wang



Paula Werdnik



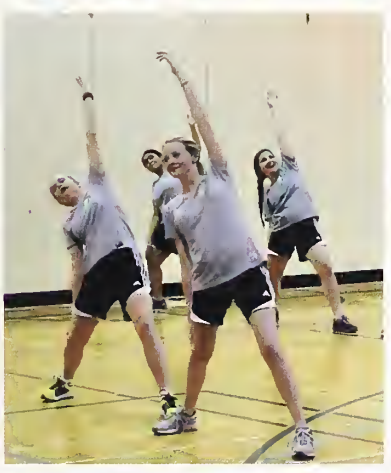
Lucy Whichelo



Gefan Zhou













Grade 11

Phrase that you say a lot..

Brianna Gonga-Cavé: I deserve a House Poi
Laura Morrison: Literally, I can'
Sikemi Oni: Sorry I'm lat


Sophie Barnes


Vicky Bolitho


Celia Chen


Hannah Dolhai


Quinn Fincham


Asmait Fukur


Brianna Gonga-Cavé


Koyuki Hayashi


Sreenija Koya


Genevieve Laberge


Elise Lehman


Mavis Ma


Brooke Mierins


Aiyanna Morris


Laura Morrison


Sikemi Oni


Margaret Pateman


Jing Qiu


Dania Rida


Fumi Shibutani


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Markley Wakeland


Yilin Wang

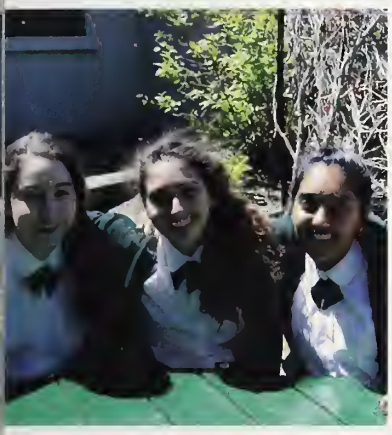

Ziling Wang


Emily Wright


Cecille Wu









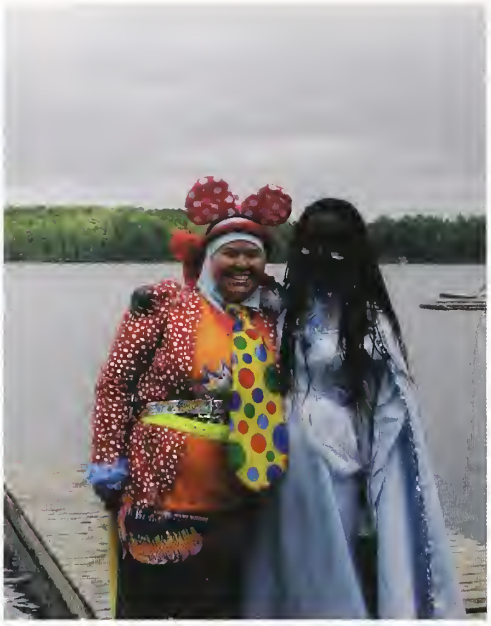




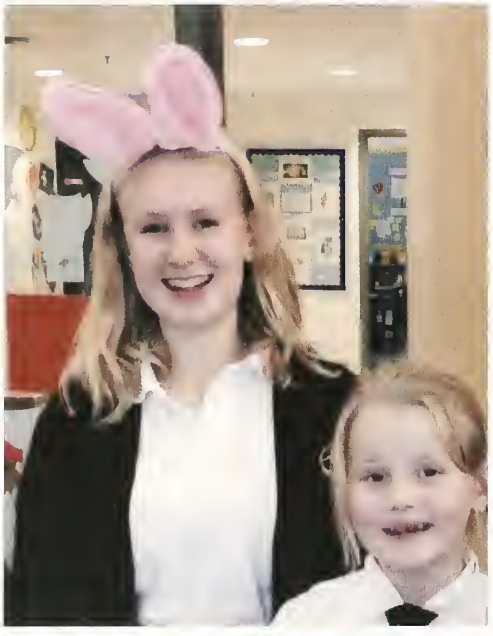










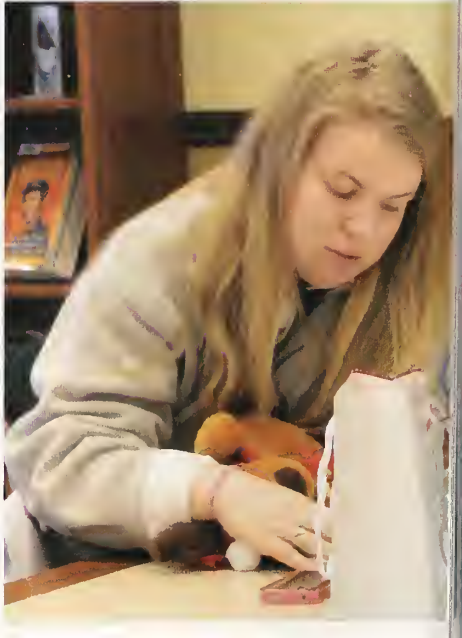










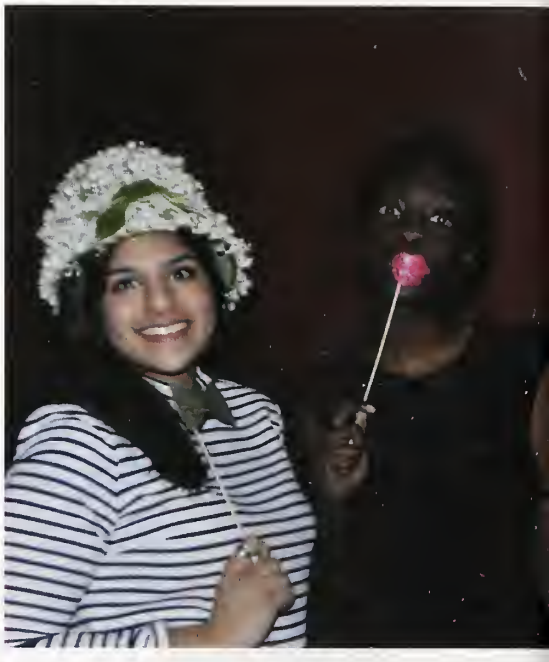




Graduates

Grad Candids














Fiesta!
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Fiesta!





Head Girl - Justine Beaulé







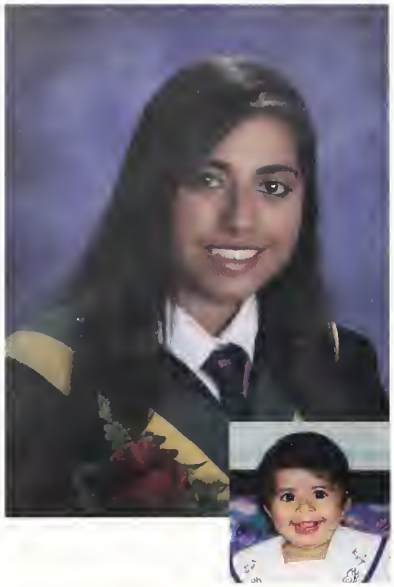
Thank you so much to everyone who helped me get to this moment. It wouldn't have been possible without the support of my friends, teachers and especially my family (shoutout to Vincent and Cam as promised). I'm very happy to be graduating from such a great school that helped me develop into the person that I am today. To everyone in my grade, I can't wait to see where you all end up and I wish you all the best. P.S. I'll be your compass.

- Justine

Prefects



Head Girl: Justine Beaulé
Senior Prefect: Sophia Caragianis
Middle School Prefect: Valerie Molnar
Junior School Prefect: Emily Stephens
Arts Prefect: Ras-Jeevan Obhi
Sports Captain: Paige Tremblay
Community Prefect: Jenna Moledina
Student Ambassador Prefect: Mariam Dakdouki
Head of Fry: Sophie Ackert
Head of Keller: Mutinta Namuyemba
Head of Nightingale: Zein Zaghloul
Head of Wilson: Sasha Thomas



Zakiya Abdullah

"Your work is going to fill a large part of your life, and the only way to be truly satisfied is to do what you believe is great work. And the only way to do great work is to love what you do. If you haven't found it yet, keep looking. Don't settle. As with all matters of the heart, you'll know when you find it."
-Steve Jobs

Congratulations to the class of 2015; I wish you all the best.



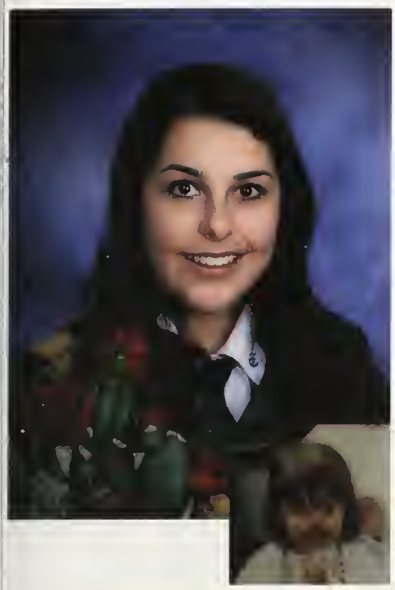
Sophie Ackert

"The Road goes ever on and on
Down from the door where it began.
Now far ahead the Road has gone,
And I must follow, if I can,
Pursuing it with eager feet,
Until it joins some larger way
Where many paths and errands meet.
And whither then? I cannot say."
-Bilbo Baggins



Maria Aho-Merlo

"Much education today is monumentally ineffective. All too often we are giving young people cut flowers when we should be teaching them to grow their own plants."
- John W. Gardner



Claire Avisar

I could try and count the hours of rehearsals, the cups of coffee spilled, the tear stained graphs of sinusoidal functions and Mozart scores, the minutes counting down to summer breaks, and the cartons of Ben and Jerry's I have consumed during my time here just to attempt to show you what 13 years have been like, but I won't (rather, I can't, because even after all this time, I still really cannot do math). But, what I can tell you is I have learned the most valuable lessons through the most seemingly unimportant moments: heated class discussions, piano jam sessions in the hallways and our amazing music classes, theatre performances, eccentric teaching styles, and just being able to see everyone grow as people around me. I'd like to thank the teachers who go above and beyond simply teaching a syllabus, and who put so much of their own passion behind their wordsyou are all incredible people. If there is one thing I have learned in my time, or a message that I wish to share with my peers, it is this:

"We are the music-makers, and we are the dreamers of dreams, wandering by lone sea-breakers, and sitting by desolate streams. World-losers and world-forsakers, upon whom the pale moon gleams; yet we are the movers and shakers, of the world forever, it seems."
Arthur O'Shaughnessy



Walaa Bahitham

Before I start to say some pretty emotional things, I just wanted to make sure everybody knew that I actually had my hair done when I got this picture taken!
Just thought I should put that out there. Now for the more serious part of my comment.
I would firstly like to thank God for everything; I would also like to thank my family, especially my parents, who kept pushing and believing in me when I thought I just couldn't do it anymore.
I would like to thank my older brother for always taking my forced hugs. Wallah you mean a lot to me and that's why I do what I do. I would like to give thanks to my younger brother, although you annoyed me for most of the time you were there to support me! So 'tuna' thank you!!
I would also like to thank all of the 2015 grads for all they've done for me; you girls have been like a second family to me. Thank you all and good luck to you all.
"You never know how strong you are until being strong is the only choice you have"
- unknown.
I guess at this point the only choice we have is to be strong and accept the challenges that we will soon face. #hijabi4life #1outof3



Katya Brooks

I wish I knew how to write something like this, but truth be told, I'm awful with sentimental things like goodbyes and even simple 'I love you' statements. I'll try my best to say something inspirational:
In grade 11, I wrote my first historical essay. It was on American independence and whether it was an evolutionary or a revolutionary process. I believe it was a mix of both, but that's beside the point. I learned from that essay, and I have come to realize, that my future, too, will be a mix of both. It will be laced with pitfalls and peaks, but I know I will learn to trust change, as it is the only thing that is constant in both evolutions and revolutions.

"And lease this confusion, I'll wander the concrete
Wonder if better now having survived"
-Hozier



Sophia Caragianis

To FM & JW, you guys have been my rock and lifeline; thank you for seeing me through it all. Good luck finding my replacement.
Thank you to everyone who has been in my life; you have all shaped me to become the person I am today.

Peace, dudes.



Mariam Dakdouki

"It's the oldest story in the world. One day, you're seventeen and planning for someday. And then, quietly, and without you ever really noticing, someday is today. And then someday is yesterday. And this is your life."
-One Tree Hill

As this chapter of our lives comes to a close, we look back at the different events that signified our time in high school. From orientation day to graduation day, my time at Elmwood has been unequivocally life changing. Thanks to the Class of 2015, for being a uniquely diversified group of people and adding a kick to my life that I didn't know I needed. We are forever bonded through our experiences, and for that I am grateful. Special thanks to S and S for pulling me out of the darkest hole of my life, and believing in me when I didn't believe in myself. Most of all, thanks to my parents for providing their never-ending support and belief that I can achieve anything if I only have confidence in myself. Here's to living out our dreams everyday and never holding back who we are.

"The moment you doubt whether you can fly, you cease forever to be able to do it."
-Peter Pan
So to my fellow Class of 2015, believe that you can fly because I believe that we have the ability to soar. The question now isn't who is going to let us; it's who is going to stop us.



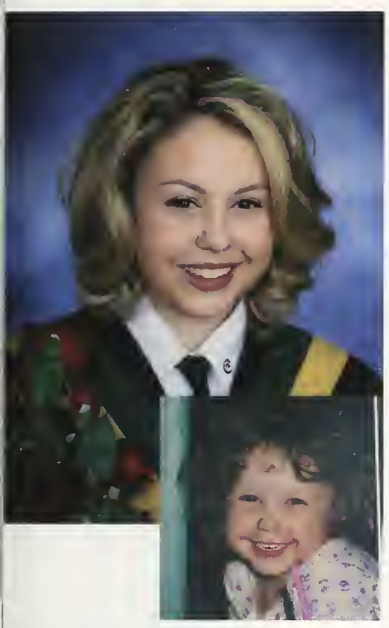
Christine Ding

Thanks for all the teachers and everyone in my grade. You have helped me so much during these years. Canada was a totally new place for me three years ago. It is you guys who made me feel welcome and comfortable. These may not have been the best three years of my life, but they are very unforgettable. University is a new beginning for each one of us. I wish everyone all the best.



Erin Dzioba

Thank you to all of my teachers, friends, and family for supporting me and helping me grow throughout the past four years. Good luck to the grads of 2015.



Audrey Giroux

Starting Elmwood in Grade 7 was definitely a challenge, but the people by whom I have been surrounded and who have encouraged me since then have been extraordinary. I would like to firstly thank all my teachers for the tremendous amount of support and countless hours they have dedicated not only to my success, but to that of my classmates as well. I would also like to thank all my friends who have stuck by me through these emotion-filled years; you girls are truly the most amazing young women this world will ever see. To my parents, thank you for the amazing support I have received and thank you for giving me the chance to not only have dreams but to be able to calls those dreams my goals. Lastly, to the graduating class of 2015, I wish for every single one of you to attain your goals. Always be confident in yourself and your abilities; you are all strong women who will redefine what being a women means.



Danielle Humilde

"To part is the lot of all mankind. The world is a scene of constant leave-taking, and the hands that grasp in cordial greeting today, are doomed ere long to unite for the last time, when the quivering lips pronounce the word - 'Farewell"
-R.M. Ballantyne



Louisa James-Beswick

When given this task, my main question was: "How long should it be?" The replies I got were "Not too long", "Not too short", and "Just right"and I began to feel like I was in a twisted version of Goldilocks and the Three Bears. However, I have come to realize that the amount of words is superficial and all I need to write is something I will be proud of. So here I am revealing the three most important lessons I have been taught this year, which are: the future is unpredictable; change is inevitable; and failure is unavoidable. Therefore, do not let society and others dictate your future and who you are, and if you ever have doubts about this, please look to Silverstein's "The Thinker of Tender Thoughts" as it has helped me a tremendous amount along the way. Finally, to the graduating class of 2015: remember, all we need in life is a bit of pixie dust so we can fly; a key to a secret garden, so we can learn to love the beauty around us; and a group of misfits, so we are reminded that to be alive is to be fortunate.



Michaela Kainz-Potter

After twelve years of being at Elmwood, I have recognized that Elmwood has not only become a school that I have attended, but a place where I have grown. Not only have I developed as a person, but I have also developed friendships and memories that I hope I can carry with me through the rest of my life. I would like to thank everyone who has supported me through it all and I wish the grads of 2015 the best of luck in their future. I believed High School was going to be challenging, and so it was; however, I could not have asked for a better community of support, and I appreciate all the help from the people who have brought me to this moment.



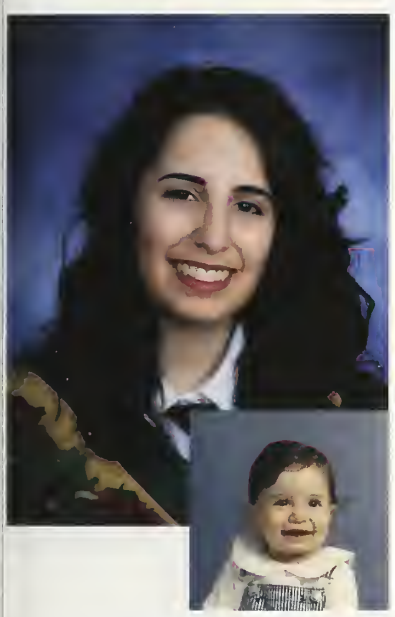
Lauren Lambert

When I started at Elmwood four years ago, I could have never imagined the kinds of friends and memories that I would have at this moment. I am so grateful for the amazing opportunities and passionate teachers who have spent countless hours to help shape me into the confident and resilient person that I am today. To my family, thank you for your unbridled support, love and guidance. Thank you for the opportunity to not only have beautiful dreams, but to also turn those dreams into amazing experiences that I will cherish forever. To the class of 2015, I hope you all have remarkable adventures and accomplish everything you set your minds to.



Rachel McGinn

I think it's important to acknowledge that we will find ourselves at crossroads in our lives. The choices that we make in those moments can be the ones that define us. When we are faced with something unknown, most of us will prefer to turn back. But, every once in a while, someone comes along and pushes us to become a better version of ourselves. Because it's only when you are tested that you truly discover who you are. And it's only when you're tested that you discover who you can be. So thank you to Elmwood, all of my classmates and my family who have been that 'someone' these past four years and have helped me to become the person I am today. Good luck next year my friends. P.S. The *ship* will be setting sail soon.



Sarah Miller

Thanks for the memories: thanks Gummeson for never denying my lack of musical ability, but never stopping the encouragement, and Small for achieving the impossible and making classes interesting again. Thanks to Mckenzie for showing me what working tirelessly for something you care about looks like, and thank you to Mrs. Boychuk for allowing me to help with the play these last two years and do what I do best: yell at people until they do what they're supposed to, and endlessly organize. Finally, thank you to everybody else for putting up with my many phases and many Apocalyptic conspiracies, I think you'll now realize that I've been right all along.



Jenna Moledina

Heading into my senior year, I was told that it would just fly by, but it was not until I sat down to write this yearbook piece that I realized how right they all were. To the school that has given me much wisdom, experience, and opportunities, I am eternally grateful. Over the years at Elmwood, I have seen the unpredictable nature of the future, yet one important concept that has always stayed constant to me is the idea of passion. To the teachers who always taught beyond what was required, who taught because they loved what they were teaching, and who taught with true passion: you have all been exceptional role models, and I have taken away more than can be said.

"You symbolize with a message that we're all ok with. We all lie in bed with, we've all lost our sense of tough. Bound to own all our dreams."

I hope that we all find the passion.



Valerie Molnar

As I move on to face the challenges ahead, I cannot help but be thankful for the amazing opportunities the last three years I have spent at Elmwood have provided me with. Elmwood offers an open, supportive and encouraging environment that fosters growth and success. To my fellow 2015 grads, thank you for your support and friendship. Thank you to my family for the love and encouragement. To my dad, thank you for the numerous excruciatingly early car rides to practices and for sharing with me your time and corny "dad" jokes. I now celebrate not only the end of my time as an Elmwood student, but the beginning of a whole new adventure. As a child I always loved to watch The Littlest Hobo. Moving on to face new challenges, I now more than ever connect with the opening lines to the theme song that made me smile on those long-past lazy Sunday mornings:

"There's a voice that keeps on calling me
Down the road is where I'll always be
Every stop I make, I'll make a new friend
Can't stay for long, just turn around and I'm gone again.
Maybe tomorrow, I'll want to settle down,
Until tomorrow, I'll just keep moving on."



Mutinta Namuyemba

I cannot tell you how hard of a goodbye this will be; my last two years here have been nothing but countless memories. I cannot sit here and list out every memory from orientation, going to camp two years in a row, those early morning walks to school in the snow, the common room, and so much more. But, I will sum up what I have learned: I've learnt that in life you will meet two kinds of people: ones who build you up, and ones who tear you down. But in the end, you will thank them both.

To my mum, dad and my brothers: I love you.

To all my friends: I swear I am the real Beyonce. Just you wait.

And lastly, to the class of 2015: It has not always been easy, but man, you girls are some of the strongest people I have met. Good luck to you all! 5 countries, 5 schools, and I'm done. It's been raw.



Kylie Negus

What can I say? Elmwood is a fantastic school that has helped me grow tremendously. I've met some excellent teachers, staff and new friends that I will never forget. The memories that we made - from Camp Elmwood, attending Mr. Whitehouse's history class, the Father-Daughter dance, along with everything else, have so positively impacted me. Thank you to everyone for your guidance and support in my journey - especially my parents! A special thank you to my Dad for driving me to and from school every single day! Today is the first day of the rest of our lives; I'm excited to go to Queen's U with my sis. In the meantime, congrats to my fellow Class of 2015 graduates. I wish each and every one of you a happy and healthy future.



Alayna Nowlin

Andrea Nexus and Sarah Maxwell take Europe. Let the games begin!



Ras-Jeevan Obhi

The past 11 years at Elmwood have been my life. The friends I've made and the experiences I've had will colour my memories, the ones I've already made and the ones I have yet to make. To my teachers: thank you for evoking passion, for teaching me how to write, see, observe, question and create. To my family: thank you for always being there for me. To the other 2015 grads: there's so much out there for us to experience, and I'm looking forward to hearing from you all in the future.

"All of this, calm and reasonable as it was, made out of ordinary things as it was, was the truth now; beauty, that was the truth now. Beauty was everywhere."
- Virginia Woolf, Mrs. Dalloway

A huge thank you to everyone who has been a part of my time at Elmwood. You've all made the world seem a little less scary, and a lot more beautiful.



Megan Russell

Thank you to my parents for sending me here, thank you to my teachers for allowing me to learn about things I am truly passionate about and thank you to my friends for making me smile when I needed it; I hope we never lose touch. Looking back at photos from my first year of Elmwood in grade eight, I have grown not only physically, but grown as a person. I never would have experienced the things I did in these five years had I gone to any other school. I will cherish most my five years in Elmwood Theatre and my two Duke of Ed experiences, but I will leave wishing all the best to everyone moving on with me or staying behind; may your life be just as blessed as mine.

Colossians 3:23 "Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men."



Upkeerut Saran

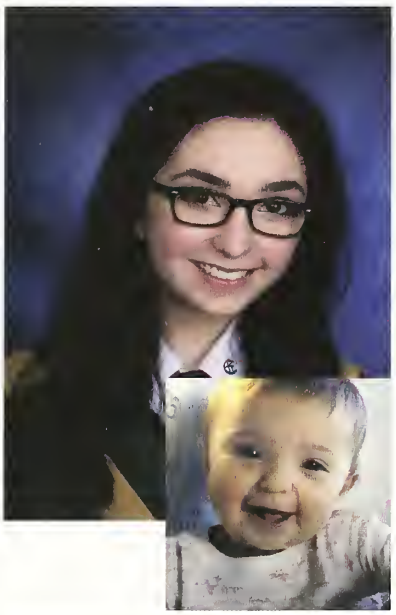
Thank you to my parents for supporting me in every way. Thank you to my siblings for being awesome and for putting up with me even when I wound up being the annoying one.

To my friends: You are beautiful and your laughter and happiness are contagious.

To my teachers: You are the reason I have come to appreciate the subjects you teach. Thank you for the endless out-of-class time.

Thank you to my Cappies Team for going well beyond anything I could have hoped for this year.
Dear Class of 2015: You deserve great things. Go out into this wonderful world and get them. All I can say is to appreciate what you have while you have it. Good luck to you all.

A special thank you to those of you who have helped me along the way. Anything and everything I do somehow ties back to one of you, and I will be forever grateful.



Maitland Shaheen

I cannot express my thanks enough to the friends, peers, and teachers who have made the past four years so memorable. I am eternally grateful for my time at Elmwood and I am so thankful for the independent thinking and rigorous work ethic it has instilled in me, as well as the inseparable friendships I cherish and the unforgettable opportunities I could have found nowhere else. I truly believe that my time in high school has pushed me in the best direction possible, and I could not be more excited to pursue my future using the skills and interests I have developed these past four years. Thank you to the unforgettable people I have met and for the support I have received, and good luck to the entirety of the class of 2015.



Emily Stephens

Elmwood: 87 muffins consumed, 6 clubs joined, embarrassingly high amount of times late for class, and countless hours spent on homework. When I hear the word "Elmwood", I am filled with joy and pride and will always remember the statements made above. These past two years have been amazing and life changing. The teachers, staff and students that make Elmwood have helped me grow in so many ways and for that I am forever grateful. The person I am today is thanks to the encouragement and support I have received from this amazing school. I am beyond lucky to have been given the gift to attend this school where everyone knows my name. So grateful to have had the chance to get to spend time with my classmates for whom I only hope the brightest of futures. Thank you for getting me up very early every morning with an excited outlook on my day at the most encouraging of schools.



Sasha Thomas

As many of you know: music is my life. I'm not that annoying kid who says they love Kurt Copenhagen while they listen to some new electronic pop mush. I live for the music that clears a soul, which reminds you what time it is and what to do. The music that enlightens the dark that surrounds you. Mmmmmmm Music. This year has not been such a whirlwind but rather a slow moving blur of all these amazing moments. Moments like: writing countless drafts of The Loft, tuning my flute in front of the whole concert band, starting SCLUR, trying to breeze by SL Music and most importantly becoming a strong and fearless human being in this wild world. Mumford and Sons said it best in After the Storm: "And there will come a time, you'll see, with no more tears. And love will not break your heart, but dismiss your fears. Get over your hill and see what you find there, with grace in your heart and flowers in your hair." I think that we should all take strides in life with grace in our hearts and as many flowers in our hair as possible.



Paige Tremblay

Heading into my senior year, I realized how quickly these 11 years flew by. I am beyond grateful for the experiences and opportunities that have shaped me into the person I have become. Experiences like being sports captain, winning an OFSAA gold and bronze, my life struggle with math, becoming the procrastinating queen and regular breakdowns in the common room. It is these experiences and opportunities that pushed me to the breaking point and allowed me to discover my resiliency and my drive to keep moving forward.

To the teachers who were tolerant and taught because they truly loved what they were teaching: You are all remarkable and I cannot voice how much value I have taken away.

Shoutout to the siblings, who have provided me with endless support. Especially my sister, who once told me "to always do what makes you happy". It is these words that have guided me through this hurricane.

Grads we made it, it's been real.



Zein Zaghloul

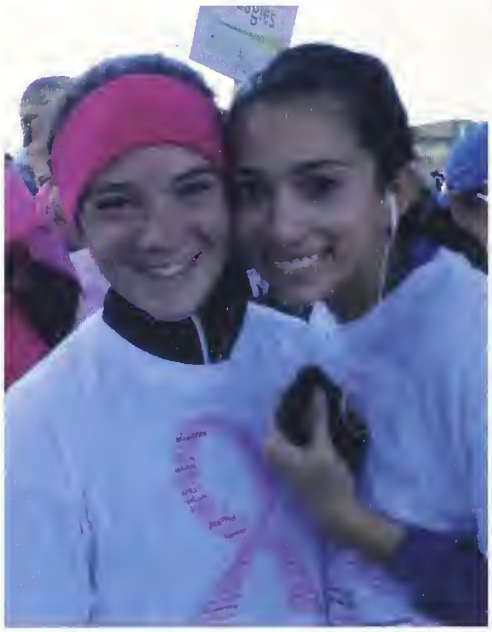
To the graduating class of 2015, we have finally made it!!! I would like to congratulate everyone for our wonderful accomplishments throughout the years. Thank you to all my teachers who have inspired me to try my hardest. Thank you mum and dad for the endless support and late night drives from rehearsals. Thank you Leen for being you and Jude for always teaching me that whatever is happening in life, good or bad, you always need to have a smile on your face. Thank you to my bestest of friends for always sticking by my side, hope to keep in touch!
PEACE OUT!








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Student Life/Spirit

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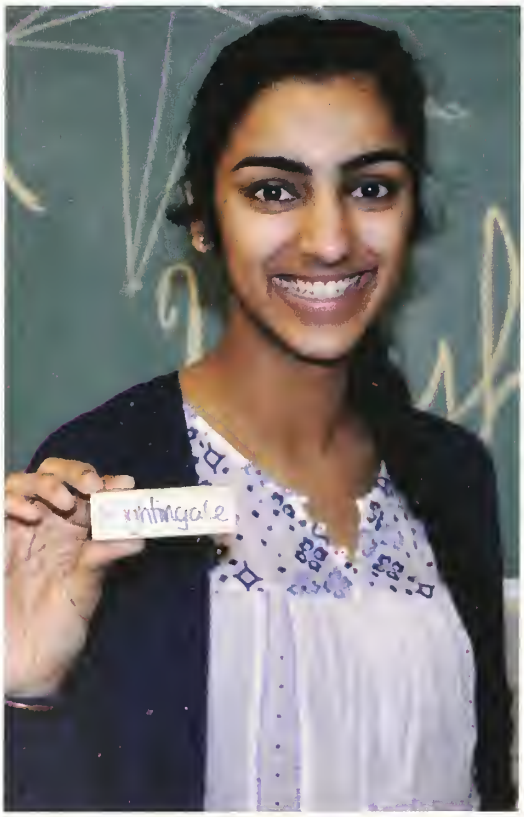
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Whole School




WELCOME

Duke of Ed Bronze

















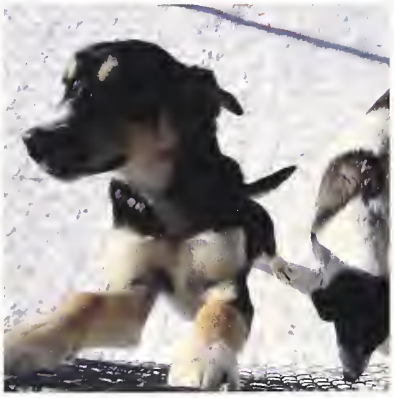




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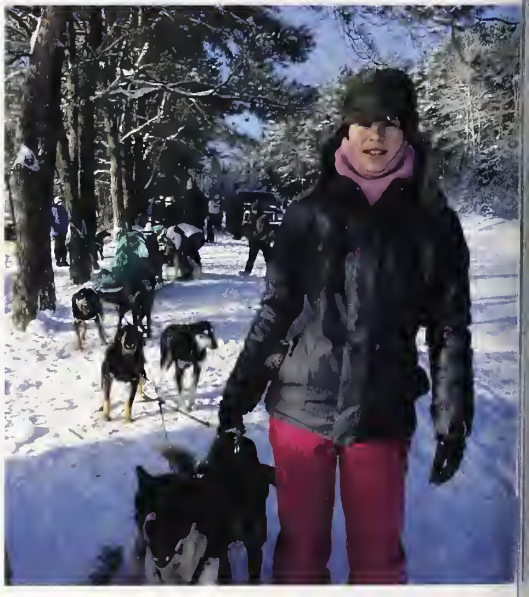




















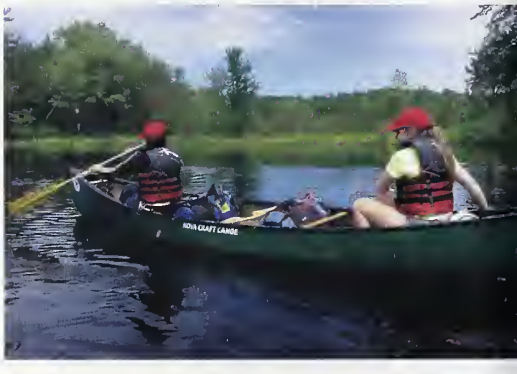
Duke of Ed Gold


















NOVA CRAFT CANOE





Classics

Elmwood's Classics Conference Team works with great dedication throughout the year to prepare amazing replica artefacts and projects to share at an annual provincial competition, the only one of its kind in Canada. We are the only school in Eastern Ontario which combines a full programme in Latin and Classical Civilization with a club like this. Our students participated this year in the 47th annual Ontario Student Classics Conference, held at Brock University in St. Catharines. This event brings together almost 500 people from approximately 20 public and private schools (single gender and co-ed) across Ontario who compete in a wide variety of competitions where they can express their fascination with the Classical world.

Team sizes vary and can often be as large as 45 in some of the larger schools Elmwood's Conference team of 5 students faced off against teams up to almost 10 times their size! Our students competed in every event they could fit into their schedule, and represented the school admirably with great determination, sportsmanship, problem-solving and creativity. They achieved outstanding results, returning home with 5 trophies and 16 ribbons, an amazing feat for any team, but especially one facing competition with teams so much larger!

The group would also like to acknowledge the full Classics Club which meets at lunch times throughout the year; some of these members also attend the after school meetings. Their encouragement, support and ideas, for example, were of great assistance in helping the team prepare. We would also like to thank Ms. Rossiter for her invaluable support in preparation for, and during, the conference.

This year, we are very honoured as well to have been invited to display our work at the Canadian War Museum as part of an upcoming exhibit on gladiators. This exhibit combines real antiquities from nine museums in Italy (including the Colosseum itself) into one exhibit, and this is its only Canadian stop! Because Elmwood's Classics Club and Conference Team create works which are unique in their level of technical skill and authenticity (not only among students, but even among adults and universities), we were invited to display creations on family day, and to lead a variety of activities for young people, teaching them about the Roman world by creating replicas of things actually used there. We will also be offering chariot rides to the children.

Participating in this Conference is in itself an amazing accomplishment, and Elmwood's team represented the school outstandingly on a provincial level. The dedication and creativity of these students was exemplary and they are congratulated on their wonderful results!

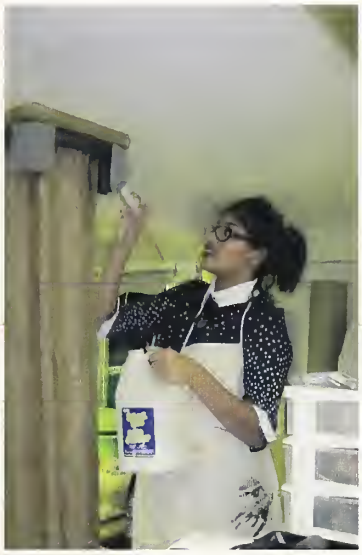
Classics Club



Classics Conference Team



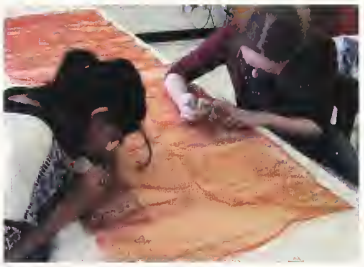
















Middle School Big Sisters



Teacher: Ms. Bartlett
Emily Stephens (Student Leader), Lilly Allen, Caitlin Baxter, Didi Bredberg, Sarah Brown, Grace Charness, Anna DeFelice,Andrea Douglas, Abbigail Hamre, Aisha Kafoud, Mila Mierens, Michika Montaldo, Lilli- Agelique, Tara Rida, Rukmann Sandu, Dailia Sawaya, Avery Want, Cate Woodhead, Lisa Xing and Sophia Zate

Senior School Big Sisters



Teacher: Ms. Bartlett
Emily Stephens, Vera Abd El Malek, Bakiza Al Khalili, Sophi Barker, Kylie Brownlie, Hannah Charness, Hannah Dolhai, Erin Dzioba, Leane Gaussorgues, Sydney Greenley, Ciara Halloran, Sreenija Koya, Elise Lehman, Eryn Lundrigan, Mavis Ma, Brigitte McElligott, Rachel McGinn, Aiyanna Morris, Sarah Murray, Elizabeth Newberry, Margaret Pateman, Dania Rida, Safa Siddiqui, Meera Singla, Aimi Sugihara, Samanth Thompson-Spence, Tory Woodhead and Leen Zaghloul.

Model UN



Teachers: Ms. Wiegand and Mr. Levesque
Leader: Katya Brooks
Florence Campbell, Fumi Shibutani, Hannah Charness, Elizabeth Coulter, Shannon Howarth, Elizabeth Milne, Elise Lehman, Madeleine Klebanoff O'Brien and Vicky Bolitho.

Student Ambassadors



Brooke Mierins, Hannah Dolhai, Ras-Jeevan Obhi, Sarah Murray, Ciara Halloran, Bronte Assadzadeh, Sophia Swettenham, Jenna Moledina, Katherine Keough, Caroline Capehart, Laura Morrison, Hannah Charness, Megan Sweeney, Aisha Kafoud, Cynthia Sedlezky, Claire Murray, Carine Ladki, Fumi Shibutani, Eva Sabine, Lyanna Abdul Rahman, Ina Arora, Vera Abd El Malek, Elizabeth Moloney, Sheetza McGarry, Eryn Lundrigan, Louisa James-Beswick, Brianna Gonga-Cave, Sikemi Oni, Leane Gaussorgues, Emily Bangsboll, Paula Werdnik, Maya Mainland-Gratton, Kylie Brownlee, Leen Zaghloul, Sophie Barker, Zakiya Abdullah, Isabelle Barker, Anna DeFelice, Tara Hanson-Wright, Danielle Humilde, Hannah Keough, Lauren Lambert, Aiyanna Morris, Elizabeth Newberry, Dania Rida, Upkeerut Saran, Alexa Shabinsky, Safa Siddiqui, Meera Singla, Paige Tremblay, Lucy Whichelo and Zein Zaghloul.

Free the Children



eacher: Ms. Fraser
rooke Mierins (leader), Megan Sweeney (leader), Aiyanna
lorris, Laura Morrison, Fumi Shibutani, Hana Fukur, Megan
/right, Phoenix Plessas-Azurduy, Ava Vandenbelt, Eva
abine, Katharina Auster, Emma Young and Lyanna Abdul-
ahman.

International Club



Teacher: Ms. Purran
Leaders: Sijyl Fasih, Sheetza McGarry and Paula Werdnik
Aimi Sugihara, Leen Zaghloul, Eva Sabine, Caelyn Want,
Linnea Dalvi, Bakiza Al-Khalili, Hana Fukur, Megan Wright,
Phoenix Plessas-Azurduy, Caroline Capehart, Kyra Ling-Jay,
Yilin Wang, Helen Zhao, Fiona Wang and Sharon Chen.

Middle School Book Club



eacher: Ms. Senf
ate Woodhead, Rebecca Kealey, Andrea Douglas, Hana
ukur, Patricia Werdnik, Isabel Smith and Aisha Kafoud.

Senior School Book Club



Teachers: Ms. Senf and Mr. Levesque
Emma Hunter, Genevieve Laberge, Brooke Mierins, Safa Siddiqui,
Megan Sweeney, Lucy Whichelo, Cynthia Sedlezky, Sophia
Swettenham, Elizabeth Coulter and Dora Deng.

Middle School Dance Club



Teacher: Ms. Josselyn
Alisha Abdul Rahman, Grace Brunner, Hannah Goldstein, Mackenzie Johnson, Alex King, Maya Ladki, Keiren McClelland, Evelyn Miller, Natalia Morris, Phoenix Plessas-Azurduy, Dalia Sawaya, Isabella Thomas, Maizie Solomon, Claire Goldberg, Megan Wright and Hana Fukur.

Senior School Dance Club



Teacher: Ms. Josselyn
Bronte Assadzadeh, Alexa Shabinsky, Lyanna Abdul Rahman, Ina Arora Sharon Chen, Linnea Dalvi, Quinn Fincham, Mallory Fung Kee Fung, Jackie Goldstein, Sydney Greenley, Katherine Keough, Sarah Murray, Caelyn Want, Leen Zaghlool, Jacqueline Law.

Middle School Art Club



Teacher: Ms. Chun
Kailey Walker, Lilly Allen, Catherine Mitchell-Ross, Aisha Kafoud, Rianna Miller, Amber Chaparro, Maya Kors, Karen Jarvlepp, Camille Beaule, Sophie Lamontagne-Bothwell and Mila Mierins

Senior School Art Club



Teacher: Ms. Chun
Aya Yoshizawa, Katharina Auster, Kyra Ling- Jay, Ava Vanderbelt, Charlotte Bascombe and Julia Crystal

Middle School Improv Club



Teacher: Ms. Marquis
Tara Hanson-Wright, Lauren Ho, Victoria, Devine-Ducharme, Grace Chamess, Sofia Zate, Ava Batchelor, Laida Wilson, Claire Goldberbm, Grace Brunner, Maizie Solomon, Katherine Howarth, Niamh Hurley.

Samara



Teachers: Ms. Bartlett and Dr. Conlon
Fumi Shibutani (editor), Grace Charness, Yilin Wang, Zaina Khan, Caroline Capehart, Kyra Ling-Jay, Carine Ladki and Brooke Mierins (photography)

Cappies



Teacher: Ms. Marquis
Keerut Saran (Lead Critic), Maitland Shaheen, Brooke Mierins, Megan Sweeney, Fumi Shibutani, Sijyl Fasih, Sophia Swettenham, Madeleine Klebanoff O'Brien and Elizabeth Milne.

Elmwood Chronicle



Teachers: Mr. Levesque and Ms. Senf
Editor: Valerie Molnar
Safa Siddiqui, Megan Sweeney, Brooke van Haastrecht, Brooke Mierins, Sophia Swettenham, Fumi Shibutani and Emma Hunter.

Fibonnaci Club



Zafreen Abdullah, Lujain Aljarallh, Celia Batchelor, Alex Boushey, Kaylah Carruthers, Jocelyn Emmerson, Keira Foti, Ghantous, Leya Ghantous, Alicia Gombos, Miwa Hayashi, Olivia Howe, Lauren Jane Hudson, Grace Kremmel, Genevieve Laplante, Sophia Moloo, Frida Pohl, Avery Parkinson, Zahra Robertson, Sohpia Roth Jones, Miriam Rida, Samantha Rossi, Madighan Ryan, Bianca Sugunasiri, Igone Schotman, Miriam Tadros and Ally Wilson

Chime Choir



Director: Mrs. Cathy Wiley
Eleonora Nadon, Naila Moloo, Saisha Vaidya, Zafreen Abdullah, Hailey Kay, Shelby McMahon, Karina Tevanyan, Jocelyn Emmerson, Sophia Roth Jones, Angelika Boehm,Miwa Hayashi, Zahra Robertson, Dahlia Rostom, Samantha Rossi, Katja Simic-Lawson, Alicia Gombos, Maya Allen and Madighan Ryan.

Robotics Club



Directed by Mr. Matt Perreault, Ms. Holmes
Term 1
Leya Ghantous (continued in Term 2), Zafreen Abdullah (continued in Term 2), Karina Tevanyan, Christina Nightingale (continued in Term 2) and Mikayla Johnson (continued in Term 2)
Term 2
Sophia Roth Jones, Frida Pohl, Miriam Rida and Lydia James-Brennan

Backstage Club



Directed by Mrs. Evelyn Pike, Ms. Brenda Huggins
Jayne Acharya, Maya Allen, Avery Conrad, Francesca Cook, Emma Farquhar, Ceili Halloran, Olivia Howe, Francesca James-Brennan, Gianna Lombardi, Shelby McMahon, Naila Moloo, Michaela Nicolini, Christina Nightingale, Dahlia Rostom, Katherine Souaid and Bianca Sugunasiri

Junior School Chess Club



Chess Club Term 1
Avery Aken, Brooke Gillin, Rowyn Pratte, Raluca Voina, Clarissa Lauzon, Violet Tucker, Zara Tucker, Lucy Tucker, Hannah Vermeij, Claire Zate, Avery Brambell, Sara Acharya, Penelope Beever, Katerina Simantirakis
Chess Club Term 2
Mia Bettolli-Remonda, Raluca Voina, Clarissa Lauzon, Rowyn Pratte, Aya Al Khalili, Annabel Hay, Elizabeth Chen-Baker, Diya Bhan, Sara Acharya, Claire Zate, Penelope Beever, Angelika Boehm

Drumming Club



Director: Mrs. Evelyn Pike
Leya Ghantous, Katy Irving, Grace Kremmel, Emelyn Lantos, Sophia Moloo, Avery Parkinson, Zarha Robertson, Madighan Ryan, Miriam Tadros and Lucy Tucker

Ukelele Club



Director: Mrs. Evelyn Pike, Mrs. Cathy Wiley

Zafreen Abdullah, Keira Foti, Alicia Gombos, Grace Kremmel, Shelby McMahon, Frida Pohl, Samantha Rossi, Madighan Ryan, Igone Schotman and Sonja Swettenham

Junior School French Club



Directed by Mme Iwanowski

Lauren Jane Hudson, Miwa Hayashi, Sophia Roth Jones, Miriam Tadros, Kaylah Carruthers, Alexandra Boushey, Zahra Robertson and Madighan Ryan

Middle School Athletics Council



Teacher: Mrs. Kilbertus
Emma Birchall, Emma Boushey, Sarah Brown, Grace Brunner, Madi Chwast, Anna DeFelice, Leah Dickinson, Victoria Devine-Ducharme, Andrea Douglas, Arielle Farinha, Hana Fukur, Sophie Glover, Rebecca Kealey, Erica Leighton, Tara Rida, Mattea Roth Jones, Ailish Saranchuk, Dalia Sawaya, Natasha Souaid, Caitlin Walsh, Avery Want and Lisa Xing

Middle School Arts Council



Teacher: Ms. Josselyn
Evelyn Miller, Kailey Walker, Lilly Allen, Michika Montaldo, Didi Bredberg, Lilli-Angélique Potter Dhieux, Alisha Abdul Rahman, Hannah Goldstein, Rika Ochiai, Rutaaba Fasih, Isabella Thomas, Alex King, Jordyn Lalonde, Abbigail Hamre, Madison Lamoureux and Kennedy Reid

Middle School Classics Council



Teacher: Ms. Ellison
Catherine Mitchell Ross, Jaida Wilson, Rukmann Sandhu, Alexandra Lefere Cuthbert, Maizie Soloman, Olga Lietsala, Isabel Smith, Isabelle Barker, Amanda Nightingale, Ava Batchelor, Aisha Kafoud, Niamh Hurley, Stephanie Townsend and Rhiana Miller

Middle School Community Service Council



Prefect: Jenna Moledina
Teacher: Ms. Enticknap
Claire Murray, Tara Rida, Dalia Sawaya, Spruha Sanghavi, Grace Goldberg, Ashton Yau, Katherine Howarth, Grace Charness, Phoenix Plessas-Azurduy, Megan Wright, Kieren Mcclelland, Patricia Werdnick, Allison Sedlesky, Claire Goldberg, Cate Woodhead, Sarah Allam, Caitlin Baxter and Ambar Chaparro.
Sophie Lamontagne

Senior School Arts Council



Prefect: Ras-Jeevan Obhi
Teachers: Ms. Boychuk and Ms. Chun
Allegra Richter, Dana E, Emma Rose Robinson, Florence Campbell, Hannah Charness , Julia Crystal, Kylie Brownlie, Maitland Shaheen, Maya Maitland-Gratton, Myriam Rostom, Paula Werdnik, Sarah Jackson, Shannon Howarth, Sheetza McGarry, Sophia Swettenham and Walaa Bahitham.

Senior School Athletics Council



Prefect: Paige Tremblay
Teacher: Ms. Derbyshire
Linnea Dalvi, Emily Hartvich, Mia Fitzpatrick, Helen Hume, Alexa Shabinsky , Eleanor Duffley, Lily Newberry, Claudia Finak-Fournier, Brianna Gonga-Cavé, Quinn Fincham , Eryn Lundrigan and Emily Bangsboll.

Middle School House Council



Prefect: Valerie Molnar
Teacher: Ms. Marchand
Maya Ladki, Mackenzie Johnson, Natalia Morris, Mila Mierins, Camille Beaulé, Maya Kors, Zaina Khan, Logan Iwanoff, Charlotte Pryor Hoffley, Lauren Ho, Sofia Zate and Tara Hansen-Wright

Senior School House Council



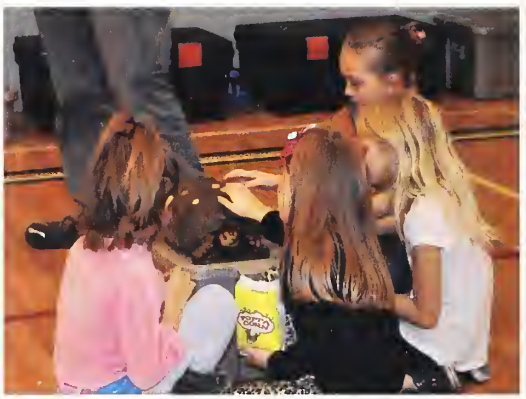
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Student Life









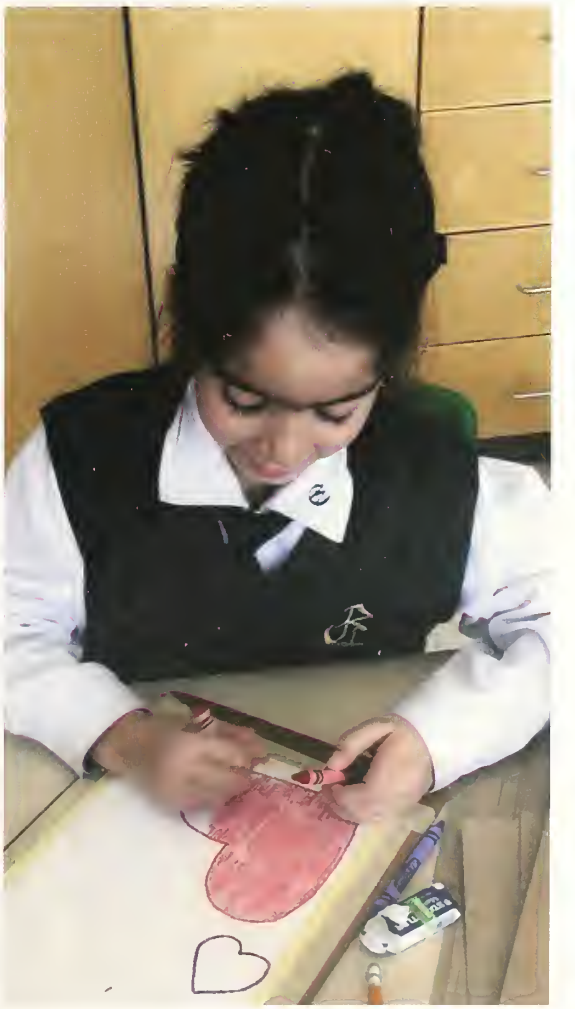






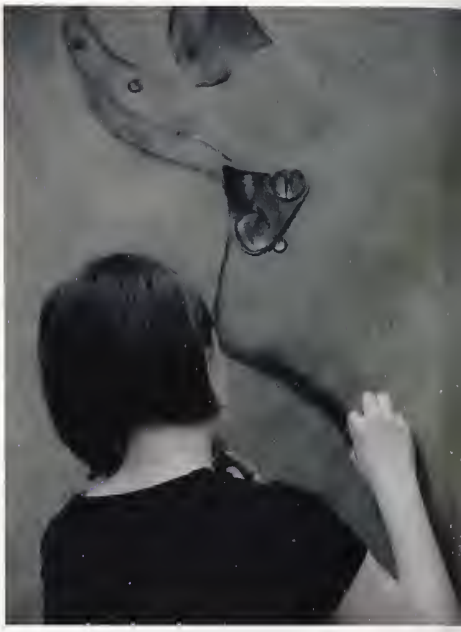

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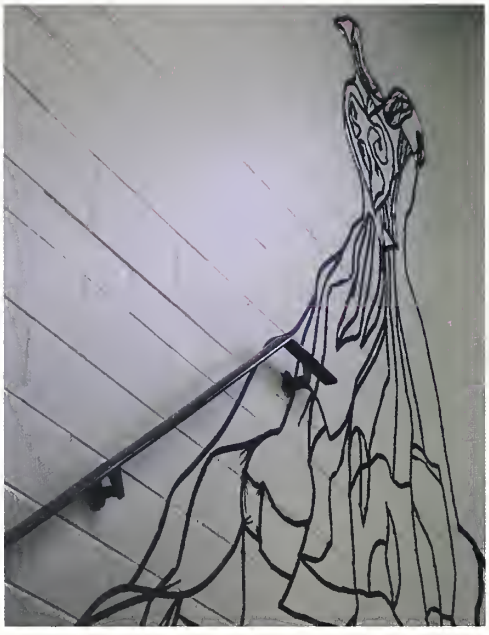


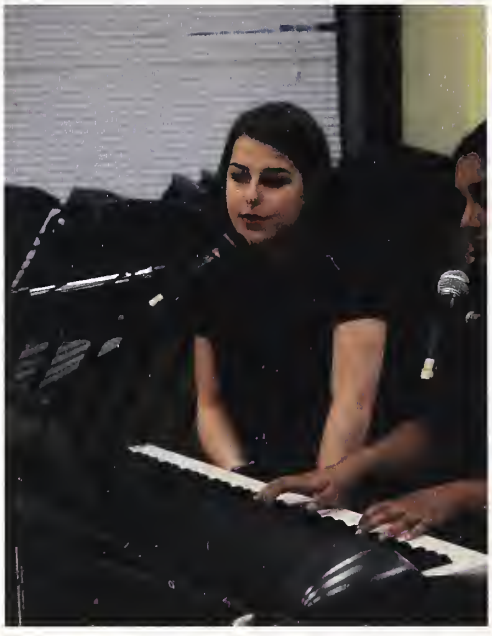



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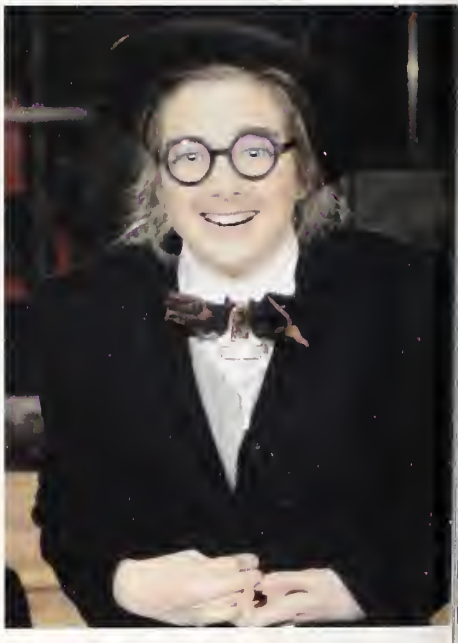










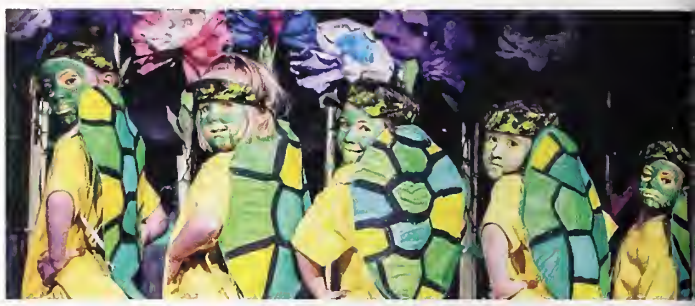




Arts

Junior School Drama







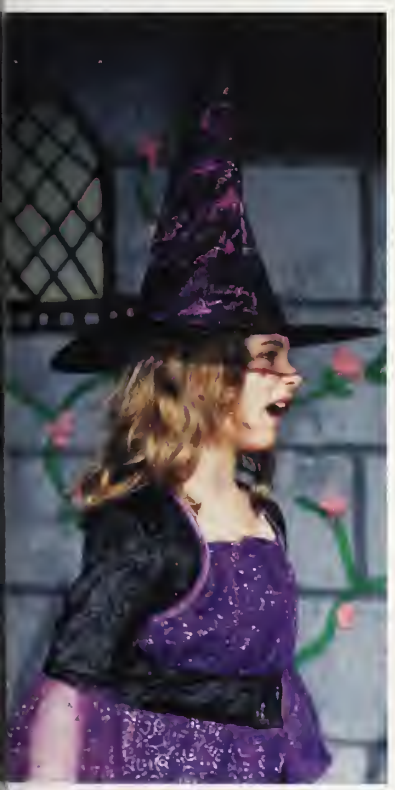














Middle School Play

Working on *The Audition*

Working on the Middle School production was a truly incredible experience. I feel extremely lucky to have worked with such a talented group of young people, who are so passionate about their craft and supportive of one another. Of course, putting on a show is never easy, and it takes an incredible amount of work and time commitment, but these girls made it fun and well worth it. We laughed and sweated it out together.

There is something something magical that happens with a cast and crew, because you spend so much time together, working hard and doing all kinds of crazy things, you become a bit like a family. It has been a blast getting to know this incredible group of young women!

Ms. Josselyn











Elmwood's Middle School Production
cast and crew presents

THE AUDITION



THE AUDITION

Dec 10th at 1:00pm and
Dec 11th at 5:00 and 7:30 pm

Elmwood Theatre

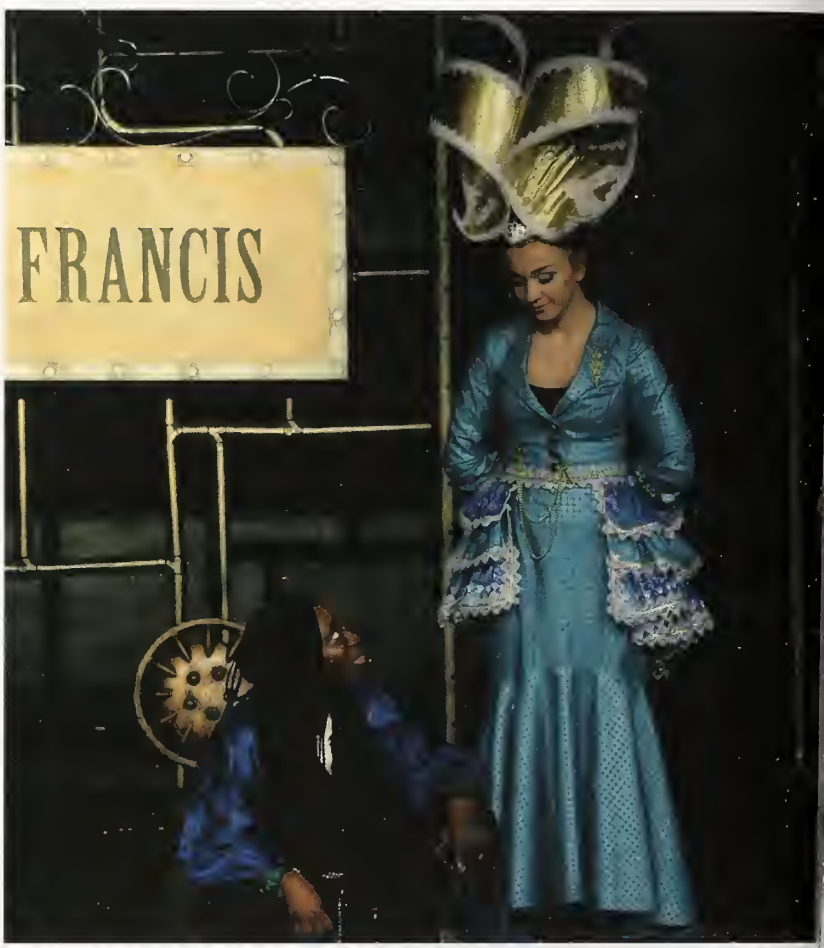
"Nothing is ever so wrong in this world that a sensible woman can't set it right in the course of an afternoon."
- Countess Aurelia

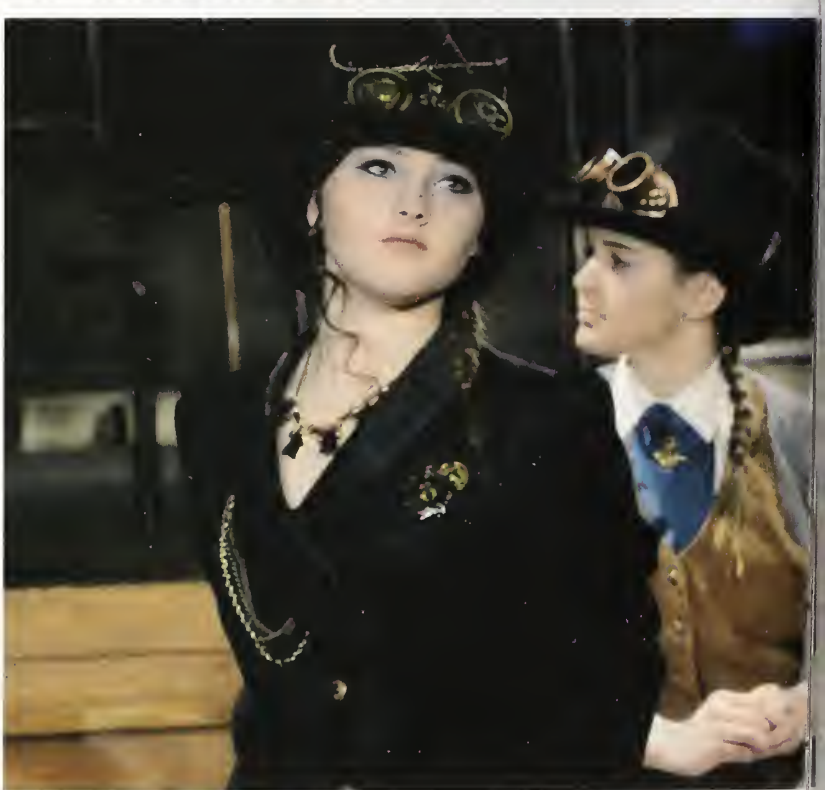
It is likely that Jean Giraudoux would regard our world today as not much different from the world he observed in 1947, the year he wrote *The Madwoman of Chaillot*. Though the play was written in response to the four-year occupation of his native France by Germany, he chose to present his ideas about humanity in the form of an allegory. Like so much of his work, the play is a lyrical satire that even today encourages our collective contemplation of a world continually on the brink of imminent disaster. So that we should not despair too greatly, the playwright also provides us with hope for our salvation by inviting us instead to look beyond ourselves.

Early on, *The Madwoman of Chaillot* introduces to the audience a few select 'antagonists,' ambitious ne'er-do-wells who are convinced that oil flows freely under the streets of Paris. They are committed to accessing this commodity, despite the havoc that such excavation would wreck on France's beautiful capital. To prevent such destruction, the Countess Aurelia, together with her friends a group of misfits who are very committed to the idea of human goodness concoct a plan to put a stop to those who threaten their sweet existence. Like many fairy tales, it is a story in which good seeks to overcome evil. Though our world is unlike a fairy tale, we are still drawn to the notion that Giraudoux perpetuates: that if we could put the glory of nature before our own self-interests, then harmony would prevail.

The cast and crew had tremendous fun putting the show together. At times, national and international news gave us reason to pause in the midst of our clowning, as we recognized parallels between ideas in the play and real life itself. However, theatre is, if nothing else, a place to mirror our lives, if only so that we can contemplate humanity more closely and our personal responsibility as caretakers of this planet we call home.

Angela Boychuk











Music

Concert Band



CAPITAL REGION MUSICFEST
OTTAWA ONTARIO 2015

Brooke Mierins, Carine Ladki, Caroline Capehart, Charlotte Amannt, Charlotte Noxon, Elizabeth Milne, Hannah Charness, Hannah Keough, Helen Zhao, Hoda Darwish, Jenna Moledina, Justine Beaulé, Karen Jarvlepp, Katherine Keough, Keiren McClelland, Laura Alexander, Leane Gaussorgues, Leen Zaghloul, Linnea Dalvi, Lisa Xing, Mackenzie Johnson, Madeleine Klbanoff O'Brien, Maya Ladki, Megan Sweeney, Sarah Murray, Sasha Thomas, Shannon Howarth, Sijyl Fasih, Valerie Molnar, Veronika Lassl and Zaina Khan

Jazz Band



CAPITAL REGION MUSICFEST
OTTAWA ONTARIO 2015

Katherine Keough, Charlotte Noxon, Phoenix Plessas-Azurduy, Sijyl Fasih, Carine Ladki, Emma Hunter, Hoda Darwish, Hannah Keough , Karen Jarvlepp, Leen Zaghloul, Madeleine Klebanoff O'Brien, Sarah Murray and Veronika Lassl.

Grade 6 Concert Band



CAPITAL REGION MUSICFEST
OTTAWA ONTARIO 2015

Niamh Hurley, Sarah Allam, Claire Goldberg, Rebecca Kealey, Catherine Mitchell-Ross, Madi Chwast, Rianna Miller, Victoria Devine-Ducharme, Alex Lefere-Cuthbert, Tara Hansen-Wright, Lilly Allen, Michika Montaldo, Katherine Howarth, Grace Brunner, Cate Woodhead, Kailey Walker, Natasha Souaid, Sophie Glover, Sophia Zate, Mila Mierins, Lauren Ho, Claire Murray and Lilli-Angelique Potter-Dhieux

Grade 7 Concert Band



CAPITAL REGION MUSICFEST
OTTAWA ONTARIO 2015

Maya Ladki, Mackenzie Johnson, Hannah Goldstein, Hana Fukur, Allison Sedlezky, Isabelle Barker, Phoenix Plessas-Azurduy, Caitlin Baxter, Isabel Smith, Olga Lietsala, Mattea Roth Jones, Natalia Morris, Charlotte Pryor-Hoffley, Patricia Werdnik, Megan Wright, Andrea Douglas, Alisha Abdul-Rahman, Rika Ochiai, Leah Dickinson and Rutaaba Fasih

Grade 8 Concert Band



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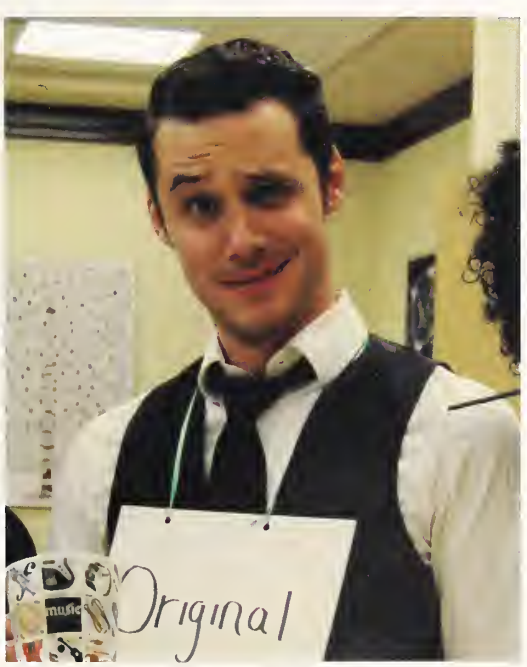
Maya Kors, Sophie Bothwell, Charlotte Noxon, Spruha Sanghavi, Camille Beaulé, Logan Iwanoff, Dalia Sawaya, Abbigail Hamre, Stephanie Townsend, Isabella Thomas, Alex King, Karen Jarvlepp, Grace Goldberg, Tara Rida, Amanda Nightingale, Keiren McClelland, Zaina Khan , Lisa King, Ailish Saranchuk, Evelyn Miller, Emma Boushey and Veronika Lassl.

Grade 9 Jazz Combo



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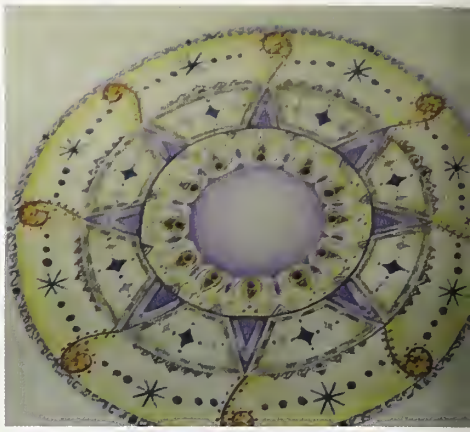
Katherine Keough, Eva Sabine, Katherine Howarth, Sarah Murray, Hannah Charness, Hannah Keough, Carine Ladki and Helen Zhao.



And the master behind the music.....Mr. Gummeson!

Visual Arts









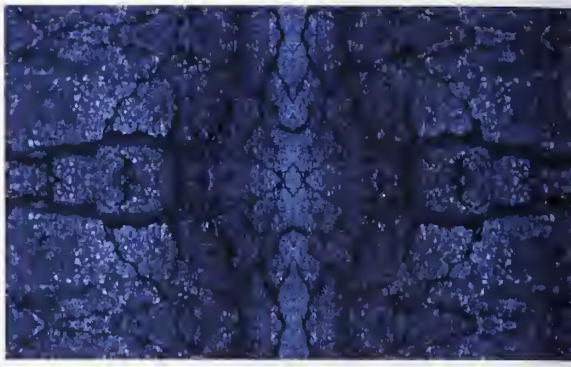


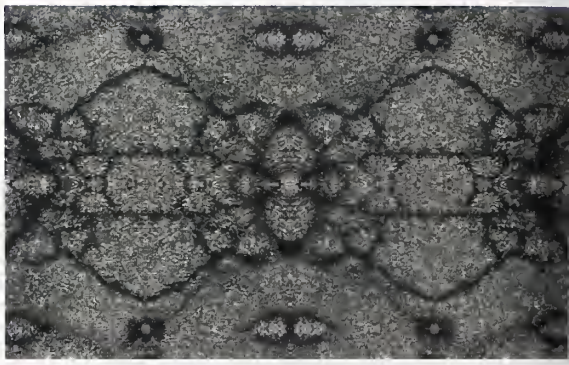




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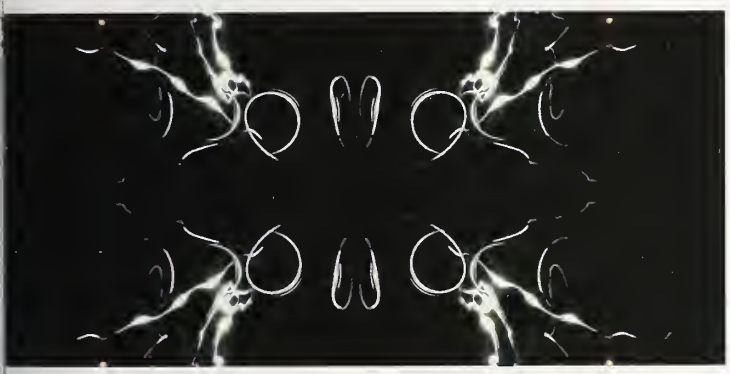








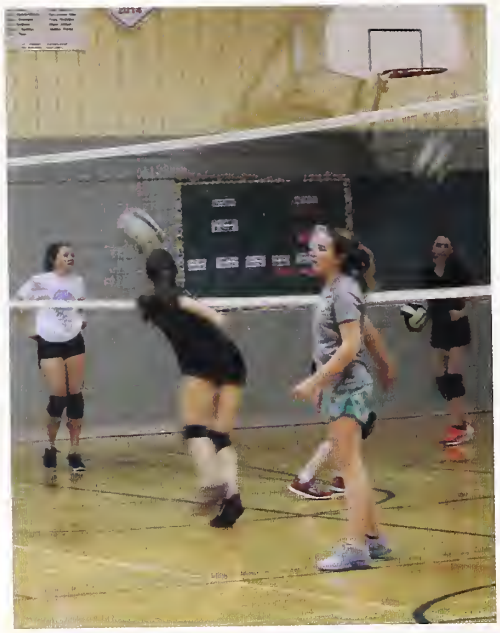













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Sports

Senior School Basketball



Coaches: Mr. Small and Mr. Sambles
Alexa Shabinsky, Emily Bangsboll, Markley Wakeland, Ras-Jeevan Obhi, Brianna Gonga-Cave, Sikemi Oni, Aimi Sugihara, Allegra Richter, Kylie Brownlee, Sophie Barnes, Lily Newberry, Laura Morrison, Caelyn Want and Cynthia Sedlezky

Seven's Rugby



Coach: Dr. Harris
Katya Jansen-Poulin, Eryn Lundrigan, Britney Smith, Emily Hartvich, Erica Guistiniani, Caroline Capeheart, Linnea Dalvi, Dania Rida, Bronte Assadzadeh, Brigitte McElligott, Safa Siddiqui, Aiyanna Morris, Jenna Moledina, Valerie Molnar, Paige Tremblay and Elizabeth Moloney

Senior School Field Hockey



Coaches: Ms. Derbyshire, Mr. Koonar and Ms. Mendonca
Ava Vandenbelt, Bakiza Al Khalili, Bronte Assadzadeh, Carine Ladki, Caroline Capehart, Emily Hartvich, Emma Young, Florence Campbell, Jacqueline Law, Katherine Keough, Katya Brooks, Leen Zaghloul, Linnea Dalvi, Lucy Whichelo, Mia Fitzpatrick, Paige Tremblay, Tori Woodhead and Zein Zaghloul

Senior School Cross-Country



Coaches: Ms. Bartlett, Ms. Iwanowski, Ms. MacDougall
Laura Alexander, Julia Crystal, Claudia Finak-Fournier, Madeleine Klebanoff O'Brien, Valerie Molnar, Aiyanna Morris, Fumi Shibutani, Megan Sweeney, Emily Wright and Zein Zaghloul

Golf



Coach: Mr. Robertson
Danielle Humilde, Sydney Greenley, Quinn Fincham, Pooja Moorti, Carine Ladki, Kyra Ling-Jay, Julia Crystal, Claudia Finak-Fournier, Helen Zhao, Fiona Wang, Mavis Ma, Ingrid Peng, Sharon Chen, Katya Jansen Poulin and Mallory Fung Kee Fung

Senior School Tennis



Coaches: Mrs. Enticknap and Mr. Hodgins
Lyanna Abdul Rahman, Sharon Chen, Elizabeth Coulter Kyra Ling-Jay, Brigitte McElligott, Aya Yoshizawa, Fiona Wang, Vera Abd El Malek, Monica Alicea, Zoe Auclaire, Mallory Fung Kee Fung, Claudia Finak-Fournier, Madeleine Klebanoff O'Brien, Maya Mainland-Gratton, Ingrid Peng, Sarah Robinson, Qinchen Wang, Paula Werdnick, Quinn Fincham, Brooke Mierens, Meera Singla, Yilin Wang, Danielle Humilde, Megan Russell, Emily Stephens and Jenna Moledina

Snowboarding



Coaches: Mr. Robetson and Mr. Sambles
Paige Tremblay, Sophie Barnes, Sian Bryson, Katya Jansen-Poulin, Heather Lounder

Alpine Skiing



Coaches: Mme. Cvetanovic and Raquelle Richter
Sophie Ackert, Audrey Giroux, Elizabeth Moloney, Helen Hume, Kylie Brownlee, Julia Crystal, Allegra Richter, Dora Deng, Eryn Lundrigan, Lucy Whichelo, Ingrid Peng, Emma Young, Carine Ladki, Hannah Charness,Shannon Howarth, Leanne, Gaussorgues, Kyra Ling-Jay, Sharon Chen, Helen Zhao, Ava Vandenbelt, Fiona Wang, Brigitte McElligott

Nordic Skiing



Coach: Mr. Levesque
Emily Bangsboll, Brittany Cooper, Sheetza McGarry, Kennedy Reid, Sophia Swettenha, Zein Zaghoul, Leane Gaussorgues, Anna Defilice, Laura Morrison, Justine Beaule, Camille Beaule, Charlotte Bascombe, Aimi Sugihara, Ailish Sararchuk and Elizabeth Coulter.

Senior Volleyball



Coaches: Ms. Sterling and Ms. Derbyshire
Valerie Molnar, Jenna Moledina, Lauren Lambert, Markley Wakeland, Sreenija Koya, Brianna Gonga-Cavé, Sophie Ackert, Brooke Mierins, Laura Morrison and Katya Brooks

Junior Volleyball



Coaches: Ms. Stirling and Ms. Adolph
Cynthia Sedlezky, Alexa Shabinsky, Emily Bangsboll, Eleanor Duffley, Emily Hartvich, Emma Trudel, Katya Jansen-Poulin, Elizabeth Moloney, Lyanna A-R, Emma Young, Aya Yoshizawa and Hannah Charness.

Badminton



Coaches: Ms. Rossiter and Valerie Molnar
Fiona Wang, Kyra Ling-Jay, Ziling Wang, Sharon Chen, Yilin Wang , Helen Zhao, Cecille Wu, Qinchen Wang, Wenxin Lian, Fumi Shibutani, Valerie Molnar, Ingrid Peng and Zoe Yang.

Senior School Swimming



oaches: Mrs. Enticknap and Ms. Iwanowski
ristina Allatt, Bronte Assadzadeh, Katharina Auster, Hannah Charness,
iya Dadlani, Linnea Dalvi, Katherine Keough, Fiona Wang, Helen
hao, Qinchen Wang, Paula Werdnik, Quinn Fincham, Erin Dzioba,
anielle Humilde, Michaela Kainz Potter and Rachel McGinn.

Rowing



Coaches: Mrs. Biesenthal, Mrs. Maguire, Mr. Sabine and Mr. Brambell
Sophie Ackert, Sophia Caragianis, Justine Beaulé, Marium Dakdouki, Laura Morrison, Emily Bangsboll, Sheetza Mcgarry, Charlotte Bascombe, Eva Sabine, Hannah Charness, Leane Gaussorgues, Ina Arora, Elise Lehman, Sophie Barker, Alex King and Abbigail Hamre.

Senior School Soccer



oaches: Mr. Sambles, Ms. Walsh and Mr. Husiman
ophie Ackert, Laura Alexander , Emily Bangsboll, Sophie Barnes ,
annah Charness Eleanor Duffley Claudia Finak Fournier, Quinn
ncham, Leane Gaussorgues, Ciara Halloran, Helen Hume, Katherine
eough, Sikemi Oni, Allegra Richter, Dania Rida, Cynthia Sedlezky,
egan Sweeney, Caelyn Want, Lucy Wichelo and Zein Zaghloul.

Senior School Rugby



Pooja Moorti, Briana Trudel , Sarah Jackson, Lily Newberry, Linnea Dalvi, Leen Zaghoul, Brooke Van Haastrecht, Ina Arora, Aya Yoshizawa, Bronte Assadzadeh, Caroline Capehart, Florence Campbell, Paige Tremblay, Valerie Molnar, Michaela Kainz-Potter, Safa Siddiqui, Elise Lehman, Britney Smith, Emily Hartvich, Eryn Lundrigan, Erica Giustiniani, Elizabeth Moloney and Mallory Fung-Kee-Fung.

5/6 Soccer



Coaches: Mr. Gummeson, Ms Tweedie and Mr. Ducharme
Didi Bredberg, Grace Brunner, Grace Charness, Jane Covington, Sophie DeFelice, Victoria Devine-Ducharme, Sophie Glover, Tara Hansen-Wright, Lauren Ho, Mila Mierins, Lilli-Angélique Potter-Dhieux, Madighan Ryan and Caitlin Walsh.

5/6 Volleyball



Coaches: Ms. Kilbertus
Lilly Allen, Grace Brunner, Grace Charness, Sophie DeFelice, Victoria Devine-Ducharme, Claire Goldberg, Tara Hansen-Wright, Laure Ho, Rebecca Kealey, Charlotte McLaughlin, Mila Mierins, Natasha Souaid and Caitlin Walsh.

7/8 Soccer



Coaches: Ms. Walsh and Dania Rida
Isabelle Barker, Caitlin Baxter, Andrea Douglas, Karen Jarvlepp, Maya Ladki, Charlotte Noxon, Phoenix Plessas-Azurduy, Tara Rida, Ailish Saranchuk, Isabel Smith, Isabella Thomas and Avery Want.

7/8 Flag Rugby



Coach: Mr. Martin
Lisa Xing, Ailish Saranchuk, Zaina Khan, Stephanie Townsend, Emma Birchall, Charlotte Noxon, Maya Ladki, Caitlin Baxter, Hannah Goldstein, Natalia Morris, Mackenzie Johnson, Leah Dickinson, Phoenix Plessas-Azurduy and Allison Sedlezky

7/8 Volleyball



Coach: Ms. Kilbertus
Emma Birchall, Avery Want, Kennedy Reid, Zaina Khan, Dalia Sawaya, Ashton Yau, Natalia Morris, Andrea Douglas, Hannah Goldstein, Alisha Abdul-Rahman, Sarah Brown and Isabelle Barker.

Middle School Cross-Country



Coach: Ms. Mulcahy
Frieda Pohl, Kiera Foti, Zoe Lang, Celia Batchelor, Leya Ghantous, Ally Wilson, Katy Irving, Alex Boushey, Grace Kremmel, Tara Hansen-Wright, Grace Charness, Leah Dickinson, Maizie Solomon, Claire Goldberg, Sarah Allam, Catherine mitchell-Ross, Karen Jarvelepp, Charlotte Amannt, Jaida Wilson, Alisha Abdul-Rahman, Erica Leighton, Grace Goldberg, Kennedy Reid and Emma Boushey.

5/6 Badminton



Coach:
Alex Boushey, Victoria Devine-Ducharme, Jocelyn Emmerson, Sophie Glover, Michika Montaldo, Madighan Ryan, Maizie Solomon, Natasha Souiad and Caitlin Walsh

8 Golf



Coach: Mr. Robertson
Charlotte Amannt and Kieren McClelland.

5/6 Basketball



Coach: Mr. Levesque
Lily Allen, Grace Charness, Jane Covington, Victoria Devine-Ducharme, Sophie Glover, Caitlin Walsh, Claire Goldberg, Tara Hanson-Wright, Lauren Ho, Kathryn Irving, Rebecca Kealey, Zoe Lang, Claire Murray, Miriam Tadros and Ally Wilson.

7/8 Ultimate Frisbee



Coach: Mr. Robertson
Alisha Abdul Rahman, Isabelle Barker, Andrea Douglas, Maya Landki, Allison Sedlezky, Natalia Morris, Phoenix Plessas-Azurduy, Karen Jarvlepp, Camille Beaule, Grace Goldberg, Zaina Khan, Alex King, Keiren McLelland, Kennedy Reid, Ailish Saranchuk, Dalia Sawaya, Stephanie Townsend and Ashton Yau.

Middle School Relay



Coach: Ms. Tweedie
Frida Pohl, Grace Kremmel, Sophie DeFelice, Keira Foti, Zoe Lang, Katy Irving, Jane Covington, Angelika Bohem, Maizie Solomon, Grace Charness, Lauren Ho, Tara Hanson-Wright, Mila Mierins, Victoria Devine-Ducharme, Michika Montaldo, Grace Brunner, Sophie Glover, Sofia Zate, Claire Murray, Lilli-Angelique Potter Dhieux, Isabel Smith, Mackenzie Johnson, Leah Dickenson, Hannah Goldstein, Camille Beaule, Patricia Werdnik, Kennedy Reid, Lisa Xing, Tara Rida, Zaina Khan, Isabella Thomas, Avery Want, Anna DeFelice, Ashton Yau, Grace Goldberg, Alex King and Ailish Saranchuk

7/8 Badminton



Coaches: Ms. Mulcahy and Ms. Purran
Andrea Douglas, Olga Lietsala, Megan Wright, Rutaaba Fasih, Anna DeFelice, Grace Goldberg, Ailish Saranchuk, Zaina Khan, Kennedy Reid, Lisa Xing, Rika Ochiai and Emma Boushey.

6-8 Tennis Club



Coach: Mr. Hodgins
Megan Wright, Sofia Zate, Ambar Chaparro, Aisha Kafoud, Lilly Allen, Niamh Hurley, Rianna Miller, Michika Montaldo, Claire Murray, Madison Lamoureux, Sarah Allam, Victoria Devine-Ducharme, Phoenix Plessas-Azurduy, Isabell Thomas and Alex King.

7/8 Futsal



Coach: Mr. Sambkes and Dania Rida
Isabelle Barker, Caitlin Baxter, Charlotte Noxon, Pheonix Plessas-Azurduy, Tara Rida, Ailish Saranchuk, Isabel Smith, Kennedy Reid and Karen Jarvlepp.

7/8 Basketball



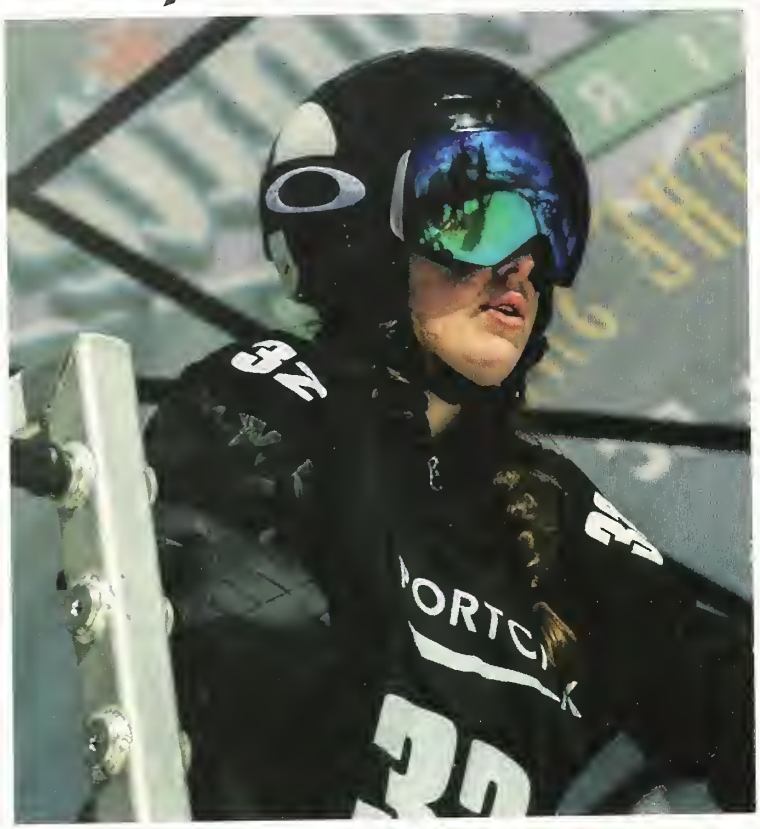
Coaches: Mr. Small and Sophia Caragianis
Ailish Saranchuk, Leah Dickinson, Phoneix Plessas-Azurduy, Maya Ladki, Arielle Farinha, Andrea Douglas, Isabelle Barker, Dalia Sawaya, Zaina Khan, Aery Want, Tara Rida, Natalia Morris and Hannah Goldstein.

Middle School Swimming



Coach: Ms. Iwanowski
Jordan Lalonde, Isabella Thomas, Kailey Walker, Lilly Allen, Alex King, Spruha Sanghavi, Grace Charness, Claire Murray, Charlotte Amannt, Amanda Nightingale and Phoenix Plessas-Azurduy.

Sports In Action

















Middle School Sports Assembly

Awards

5/6 Soccer- Grace Charness (MVP), Tara Hanson-Wright (MIP)
5/6 Volleyball- Caitlin Walsh (MVP), Claire Goldberg (MIP)
5/6 Basketball- Caitlin Walsh (MPV), Grace Charness (MSP)
5/6 Badminton- Maizie Solomon (MPV), Victoria Devine-Ducharme (MIP)
7/8 Soccer- Tara Rida (MVP), Caitlin Baxter (MIP)
7/8 Flag rugby- Charlotte Noxon (MVP), Phoenix Plessas-Azurduy (MSP)
7/8 Volleyball- Ashton Yau (MSP), Zaina Khan (MIP)
7/8 Basketball- Arielle Franiha (MVP), Phoenix Plessas-Azurduy (MSP)
7/8 Badminton- Meghan Wright (MIP), Anna DeFelice and Grace Goldberg (MSP)
7/8 Futsal- Phoenix Plessas-Azurduy (MVP), Ailish Saranchuk (MIP)
7/8 Ultimate- Isabelle Barker (MVP), Zaina Khan (MSP)
6/7/8 Swimming- Madison Lamoureux (MVP), Jaida Wilson (MIP)
5-8 X-Country- Erica Leighton and Tara Hanson-Wright (MVP)
8 Rowing- Ailish Saranchuk and Kennedy Reid (MIP)

Major Awards

Grade 6 - Caitlin Walsh

Grade 7- Phoenix Plessas - Azurduy

Fraquier Junior Award - Zaina Khan

Grade 8 Crowdy Weir Award - Ailish Saranchuck

Grade 8 Athletic Honour Award - Zaina Khan, Kennedy Reid, Ailish Saranchuck, Tara Rida, Avery Want





Athletics Banquet

Awards

Basketball - Emily Bangsboll (MVP), Sikemi Oni (MSP)
Golf - Danielle Humilde (MVP), Sydney Greenley (MIP)
Rowing - Laura Morrison (MYP), Charlotte Bascombe & Eva Sabin (MSP)
Field Hockey - Paige Tremblay & Zein Zaghoul (MVP), Emma Young (MIP)
Tennis - Emily Stephens (MVP), Fiona Wang (MIP), Aya Yoshizawa & Lyanna Abdul Rahma (MSP)
7s Rugby - Paige Tremblay, Jenna Moledina & Val Molnar (MVP)
Jr Volleyball - Cynthia Sedlezky (MSP), Lyanna Abdul Rahman (MIP)
Sr. Volleyball - Jenna Moledina (MVP), Sreenija Koya (MIP)
Alpine Ski - Hannah Charness (MIP), Sophie Ackert (MVP), Leanne Gaussorgues (MSP)
Nordic Ski - Laura Morrison (MVP), Eva Sabine & Charlotte Bascombe (MIP)
Snowboarding - Paige Tremblay (MVP), Heather Lounder (MIP)
Badminton - Valerie Molnar (MVP), Sharon Chen (MIP)
Swimming - Kat Auster & Hannah Charness (MVP), Fiona Wang (MIP)
Rugby - Paige Tremblay & Britney Smith (MVP), Bronte Assadzadeh (MIP)
Soccer - Hannah Charness (MVP), Katherine Keough (MIP), Helen Hume (MSP)

Major Awards

Maynard Sportsmanship Cup - Zein Zaghloul

Dunlop Intermediate Sports Cup - Hannah Charness

Wilson Sports Cup - Sophie Ackert

Neal Sportsmanship Cup - Cynthia Sedlezky

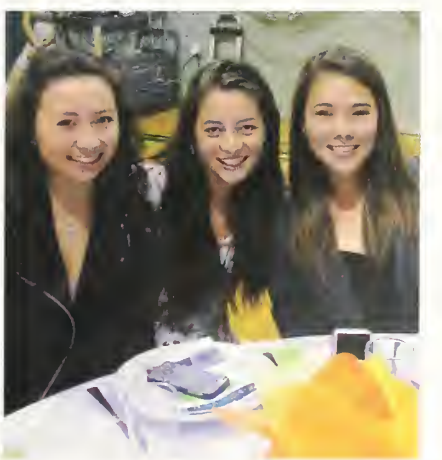
Physical Education Gold Metal - Mia Fitzpatrick

Elite Athelete Award - Valerie Molnar

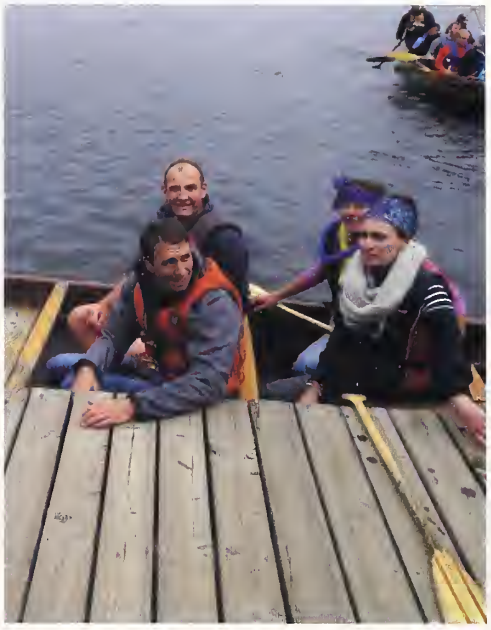
Great Yoi Honour Athletic Award - Paige Tremblay














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Staff and Faculty


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Headmistress



Mrs. Cheryl Boughton

Every good story starts with "Once upon a time," and the story of Elmwood is no different.

Once upon a time, an unconventional and entrepreneurial woman named Theodora Philpot looked at an empty farmhouse and decided it would be a good place to open a school. Though the building was modest, Mrs. Philpot saw its potential, just as we see the potential in each and every girl who walks these halls.

Over the past 99 years, that little farmhouse school with four pupils has grown to the Elmwood it is today - a vibrant, modern and welcoming learning environment.

In the fall of 2015 we will turn the page and start a new chapter in the story of Elmwoodthe School's second century. As characters in that story, I look forward to seeing how you will shape its plot!

If this year was any indication, the story will be one of adventure and accomplishment; of artists, actresses, athletes and academics. From your successes on the stage and the playing field, to your achievements in the classroom, 2014 -2015 has been one for the record books.

It is a big undertaking to document a year in the life of Elmwood. Thank you to Mrs. Bartlett, Dr. Conlon, Samara editor Fumi Shibutani, and the whole Samara team for capturing the story of this year with such creativity and rigour. It is truly a page turner!



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Meagan Enticknap-Smith


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Nicholas Gummeson


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Natasha Josselyn


Nadine Kilbertus


Jason Levesque


Brendan MacGillivray


Mohammad Mahin


Francie Marchand


Teresa Marquis


Rusty Martin


Erin Mulcahy



What are you always heard saying to students?

"Methinks" Ms. Marquis
"Did you hear back from anyone yet?" Ms. Naufal Moffatt
"OKKKKKKAY, ladies!" Ms. Mulcahy
"Ladies!" Ms. Bartlett
"Eat outside the library." Ms. Senf
"Kiddo" Ms. Derbyshire
"Here we go!" Ms. Tweedie
« En français ! » Dr. Conlon
"Let's jump into the world of the play" Mrs. Boychuk
"Follow the endings!" Ms. Ellison
"You know what I mean?" Ms. Walsh
"Good stuff!" Mr. Robertson
"Girls, take a look at this." Ms. Chun
"I like it" - Ms. Josselyn



Donna Naufal Moffatt



Malek Purran



Colin Robertson



Annette Rossiter



Pauline Rubarth



Ivan Sambles



Kimberly Senf



Jordan Small



Martha Torres



Cheryl Tweedie



Jen Walsh







Junior School


Jenika Adolph


Cheryl Brownlie


Arlene Clark-Brown


Sarah Clarke


Gail Gavan


Ryan Hodgins


Allison Holmes


Brenda Huggins


Meaghan Iwanowski


Allison MacDougall


Kate Meadowcroft


Matt Perreault

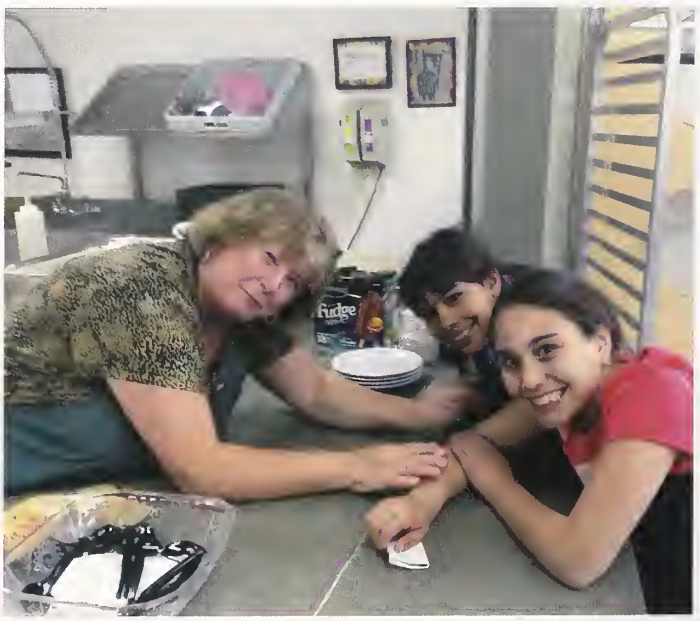

Evelyn Pike


Ginny Strachan


Carolyn Wakeham


Chandra Wiegand


Cathy Wiley



What are you always heard saying to students?

"Manners!" - Mrs. Clark-Brown
"Enunciate." - Mrs. Pike
"It's okay to make mistakes." - Mrs. Wakeham
"High five!" - Mr. Hodgins
"Tsk, tsk, tsk..." - Ms. Holmes
"Come to the carpet. Bring nothing with you." - Mrs. Huggins
"You can make the decision." - Ms. Wiegand
"Use your thinking brain!" - Ms. MacDougall

Support Staff


Patsy Adams


Elise Aylen


Candice Butler


Melanie D'Alessio


Stephane Dube


Ellen Ewert


Lindsay Germano


Janet Graham


Samir Grbesic


Sarah Hay

Thomas Huisman


Judy Kearley


Patrick Kelly


Mark MacInnis


Tanja Mackin


Tom Molnar


Valerie Jean-Pierre


Tara Rajan


Pedro Serrao


Corey Sproule


Teresa Stirling


Blanche Talbot

What are you always heard saying to students?

"Oh, that's so sweet!" - Ms. Adams
"We'll take a look at it." - Mr. Dube & Mr. Molnar
"Did you forget your swipecard?" Chef Butler
"How are ya?" - Ms. Graham
"Girls do you mind if I get a picture?" - Ms.Germano













Epilogue

Junior School Closing

Grade 5 Subject Awards

Language Arts	Lucy Tucker
Core French	Alexandra Boushey
Extended French	Leya Ghantous
Mathematics	Avery Parkinson

Overall Academic Excellence Award

5H: Jocelyn Emmerson
5W: Madighan Ryan

International Baccalaureate Learned Profile Award

5H: Charlotte McLaughlin
5W: Lauren Jane Hudson

Parents Association Committee Award

Sophia Moloo

Emerald E Awards

Celia Batchelor, Angelika Boehm, Alexandra Boushey,Kaylah Carruthers, Jane Covington, Sophia DeFelice, Jocelyn Emmerson, Keira Foti, Leya Ghantous, Miwa Hayashi, Lauren Jane Hudson, Kathryn Irving, Lydia James-Brennan, Grace Kremmel, Zoe Lang, Emelyn Lantos, Charlotte McLaughlin, Sophia Moloo, Avery Parkinson, Zahra Robertson, Sophia Roth Jones, Madighan Ryan, Miriam Tadros, Karina Tevanyan, Lucy Tucker, Victoria Werdnik, Alexandra Wilson and Marissa Wu.

Middle School Closing

GRADE 6:
Art: Catherine Woodhead
Drama: Tara Hanson-Wright
English: Mila Mierins
Core French: Grace Charness
Extended French: Sarah Allam
Health and Physical Education: Caitlin Walsh
Humanities: Grace Charness
Humanité: Grace Brunner
Mathematics: Grace Brunner
Music: Natasha Souaid
Science: Tara Hanson-Wright
Design Technology: Rukmann Sandhu
Overall Academic Excellence Award: Grace Brunner
International Baccalaureate Learner Profile Award:
Tara Hanson-Wright

GRADE 7:
Art: Isabel Smith
Drama: Phoenix Plessas-Azurduy
English: Isabel Smith
Core French: Alisha Abdul Rahman
Extended French: Sarah Brown
Health and Physical Education: Hannah Goldstein
Humanities: Mackenzie Johnson
Humanité: Sarah Brown
Mathematics: Alisha Abdul Rahman
Music: Maya Ladki
Science: Phoenix Plessas-Azurduy
Spanish: Natalia Morris
Design Technology: Caitlin Baxter
Overall Academic Excellence Award: Phoenix Plessas-Azurduy
International Baccalaureate Learner Profile Award: Phoenix Plessas-Azurduy

GRADE 8:
Communication Technology: Emma Boushey
Comprehensive Arts: Karen Jarvlepp
Nancy Chance Prize for English: Anna DeFelice
Core French: Anna DeFelice
Extended French: Charlotte Amannt
Health and Physical Education: Tara Rida
Humanities: Emma Boushey
Humanité : Zaina Khan
Latin: Tara Rida
Mandarin: Keiren McClelland
Mathematics: Zaina Khan
Science: Avery Want
Overall Academic Excellence Award: Zaina Khan
I.B. Learner Profile Award: Tara Rida
Southam Cup: Zaina Khan
Parent Association Award: Grace Goldberg

SENIOR SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP:
Emma Boushey
Zaina Khan
Maya Kors
Ailish Saranchuk
Ashton Yau

HOUSE LETTER
Alisha Abdul Rahman
Isabelle Barker
Caitlin Baxter
Andrea Douglas
Hannah Goldstein
Maya Ladki
Natalia Morris
Phoenix Plessas-Azurduy
Charlotte Amannt
Ava Batchelor
Anna DeFelice
Zaina Khan
Alexandra King
Maya Kors
Charlotte Noxon
Kennedy Reid
Tara Rida
Ailish Saranchuk
Isabella Thomas
Stephanie Townsend
Avery Want
Jaida Wilson
Lisa Xing
Ashton Yau

SILVER E
Karen Jarvlepp
Zaina Khan
Ailish Saranchuk

Senior School Closing

GRADE 9

Dramatic Arts	Leen Zaghloul
English	Eva Sabine
Core French	Lyanna Abdul Rahman
Extended French	Shannon Howarth
Geography	Lyanna Abdul Rahman
Healthy Active Living	Bronte Assadzadeh
Latin	Elizabeth Milne
Mathematics	Ava Vandenbelt
Music	Katherine Keough
Science	Hannah Charness
Spanish	Katharina Auster
Visual Art	Kyra Ling-Jay
Grace E. Knowlton Prize for Progress	Sarah Murray
Fiona Nicolson Creativity Prize	Caroline Capehart
Overall Academic Excellence Award	Lyanna Abdul Rahman
International Baccalaureate Learner Profile Award	Carine Ladki

GRADE 10

Career Studies	Paula Werdnik
Civics	Eleanor Duffley
Dramatic Arts	Sophia Swettenham
English	Madeleine Klebanoff O'Brien
Core French	Brittany Cooper
Extended French	Slan Bryson
Extended French (Grade 11)	Sophie Barker
Healthy Active Living	Helen Hume
History	Sophia Swettenham
Latin	Madeleine Klebanoff O'Brien
Mathematics	Qinchen Wang
Music	Sijyl Fasih
Science	Sijyl Fasih
Spanish	Myriam Rostom
Spanish (Grade 12)	Monica Alicea
Visual Art	Myriam Rostom
Heather Hoy Award	Kylie Brownlee
Gisele Campeau	Paula Werdnik
Overall Academic Excellence Award	Madeleine Klebanoff O'Brien
International Baccalaureate Learner Profile Award	Emily Bangsboll
Summa Summarum Scholarship	Laura Alexander, Emily Bangsboll, Sian Bryson, Sijyl Fasih and Sheetza McGarry

GRADE 11

Biology	Brianna Gonga-Cavé
Chemistry	Meera Singla
Dramatic Arts	Hannah Dolhai
Economics	Safa Siddiqui
English	Yilin Wang
Film Studies	Genevieve Laberge
Core French	Brianna Gonga-Cavé
History	Hannah Dolhai
Latin	Fumi Shibutani
Math Functions	Ziling Wang
Math Advanced Functions	Ziling Wang
Physics	Yilin Wang
Theory of Knowledge	Fumi Shibutani
Visual Art	Genevieve Laberge
Samara Editor's Award	Fumi Shibutani
Judy and Margot Toller Memorial Award	Dania Rida
Mabel Dunlop Memorial Award	Hannah Dolhai
Overall Academic Excellence Award	Yilin Wang
International Baccalaureate Learner Profile Award	Yilin Wang
Parent's Association Award	Megan Sweeney

GRADE 12

Biology	Zakiya Abdullah
Chemistry	Upkeerut Saran
Classical Civilizations	Zein Zaghloul
Dramatic Arts	Claire Avisar
Economics	Justine Beaulé
English	Ras-Jeevan Obhi
Environmental/Resource Management	Katya Brooks
Core French	Maria Aho
Extended French	Justine Beaulé
Whitwill History Award	Katya Brooks
Math Calculus and Vectors	Upkeerut Saran
Math Data Mangement	Zakiya Abdullah
Music	Sasha Thomas
Physics	Ras-Jeevan Obhi
Visual Art	Erin Dzioba
Elmwood Theatre Award for Performance and Production	Zein Zaghloul
Carolyn Strauss Poetry Award	Ras-Jeevan Obhi
Linda McGregor Technology Award	Valerie Molnar
Philpot Science Prize	Zakiya Abdullah
Overall Academic Excellence Award	Upkeerut Saran
International Baccalaureate Learner Profile Award	Upkeerut Saran
University of Toronto National Book Award	Justine Beaulé
Lieutenant Governor General Community Volunteer Award	Justine Beaulé
Sandra Sharpe Sug Award	Jenna Moledina
Elmwood Award for Character	Ras-Jeevan Obhi
Margaret White Award	Upkeerut Saran
Philpot Token	Sophia Caragianis
Summa Summarum Award	Justine Beaulé
House Cup	Fry House
Duke of Ed Gold Recipients	Zakiya Abdullah, Sophie Ackert, Justine Beaulé and Paige Tremblay
IB Diploma Candidates	Zakiya Abdullah, Maria Aho, Justine Beaulé, Katya Brooks, Sophia Caragianis, Mariam Dakdouki, Louisa James-Beswick, Jenna Moledina, Valerie Molnar, Alayna Nowlin, Ras-Jeevan Obhi and Upkeerut Saran


EXIT



Editors Note



"Once upon a time" these are the words that bring waves of nostalgia to most people who have ever read a fairy tale. Be it The Gingerbread Man or Cinderella, many fairy tales start with a "once upon a time" and wrap up loose ends with "happily ever after".

This is why this Yearbook was inspired by fairy tales. Every individual who has walked Elmwood's halls has a different to story to tell. However despite our unique personal histories, we are all characters in Elmwood's story. It is a story that is told through this Yearbook to recount the events of the past school year, one that closed with a great ending. Everyone had a different "happily ever after".

This Yearbook is the blood, sweat and tears of the entire Samara team. From templating pages, to putting in pictures to organizing team lists, every club member has contributed towards this edition of Samara, and for that I am eternally grateful. I would like to thank my mother who has been so supportive of this endeavour. Be it late pickups on Mondays or constant questions about whether things look right, you've always been there for me every step of the way.

To the teachers Ms. Bartlett and Dr. Conlon, thank you so much for all your help and hard work this year. You both ensured that I met the deadlines on time and I know I could not have done this without you. Be it through meticulously editing the grad comments or helping me write the monthly write-ups, you have both helped me transform this dream into a reality.

Finally, to my Samara team. Thank you so much for your positivity, your zeal and willingness to try new things. Caroline, Grace, Yilin, Kyra, Carine and Zaina, you have all been a pleasure to work with and I am so grateful that you all took the challenge to work together and create something beautiful.

So, without much ado here is Elmwood's 2014-2015 Samara. This is not just story about a school in the woods, it is YOUR story about a school of girls that could. A story I hope you will cherish for years, as you flip through this yearbook reminiscing laughter and tears. Memories that will bring a smile to your face as you celebrate moments when you were the ace. As you all move on to your life's next chapter, just remember this year's happily ever after.

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▲► **OTTAWA SHOOTING** On October 22, 2014, Cpl. Nathan Cirillo, 24, was standing guard in front of the National War Memorial in Ottawa, when he was gunned down. The shooter, Michael Zehaf-Bibeau (right), a 32-year-old homeless man with a history of mental illness and drug addiction, was killed soon after on Parliament Hill. Soldiers, politicians and citizens alike mourned Cpl. Cirillo, who was married and had a five-year-old son. Thousands gathered along the Highway of Heroes for the funeral procession that brought his body back to his hometown of Hamilton, Ont.
(THE CANADIAN PRESS/Adrian Wyld)



▲ **NATIONAL HEROES** The shooting of Cpl. Nathan Cirillo put the spotlight on the brave and caring Canadians who came to the soldier's aid, as well as the man who stopped the gunman's rampage. Lawyer Barbara Winters, nurse Margaret Lerhe, fellow reservist Cpl. Branden Stevensen and National Defence employee Martin Magnan comforted Cirillo and administered first aid. When the shooter moved inside Parliament's Centre Block, it was House of Commons Sergeant-at-Arms Kevin Vickers who cornered and killed Michael Zehaf-Bibeau, preventing a possible massacre.
(AP Photo/Vancouver Police via The Royal Canadian Mounted Police)



► **ROBOCALL RESOLUTION** In August, 2014, a judge ruled that Michael Sona, a 26-year-old former Conservative staffer, was actively involved in the Robocall scheme, and later sentenced Sona to nine months in prison. The scandal dates back to the 2011 federal election in which the Conservatives won a majority. Days before the vote, 7,000 automated calls were made to Guelph residents directing them to the wrong polling stations. Liberal supporters received most of the calls. Though the judge believed Sona did not act alone, no other individuals have ever been charged.
(THE CANADIAN PRESS/ Dave Chidley)

◄ **END OF AN ERA** In an unexpected turn of events, it wasn't Rob Ford's drug use or embarrassing public outbursts that caused him not to seek re-election as mayor of Toronto, but rather the diagnosis of a rare form of abdominal cancer. As Ford started treatment in September of 2014, his older brother Doug entered the mayoral race instead. The elder Ford had his own controversial moments, including offensive Jewish remarks that made him fodder for late-night talk shows. He ultimately lost to John Tory.
(THE CANADIAN PRESS/Nathan Denette)



► **MONCTON SHOOTINGS** On June 4, 2014, residents in a suburban neighbourhood in Moncton, N.B., could only watch helplessly as 24-year-old Justin Bourque, armed with a shotgun, targeted RCMP officers in the area. Dressed in fatigues, Bourque killed three Mounties - Dave Ross, Fabrice Gevaudan and Douglas Larche – and injured two others. Moncton was in lockdown during the 30-hour manhunt that ended with Bourque's arrest. During interrogation, Bourque expressed a general hatred for authority. He later apologized to the families, and was sentenced to five life sentences, with no chance of parole for 75 years. (THE CANADIAN PRESS/Andrew Vaughan)



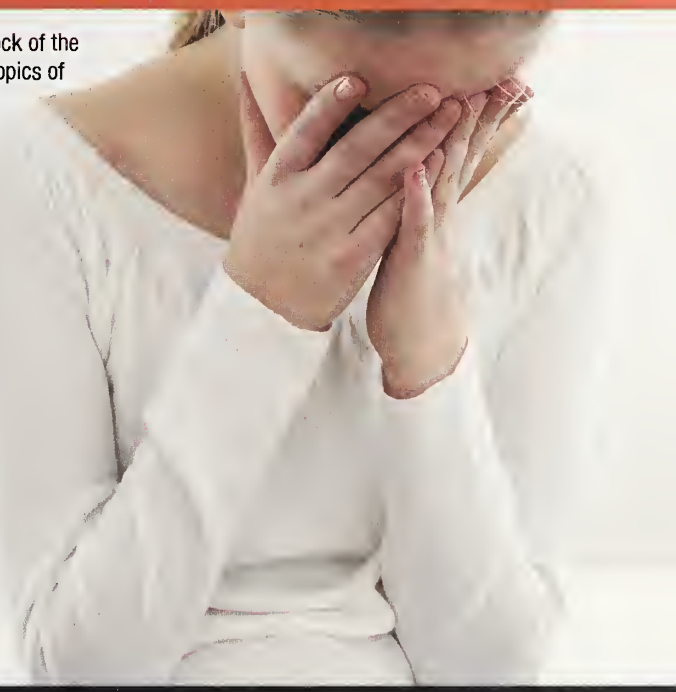
▲ **FALL FROM GRACE** In October, 2014, Jian Ghomeshi, the popular host of CBC Radio's talk show *Q*, said his familiar "Well, hi there," for the last time. The public broadcaster announced it had fired him over "information" it received. Over the next few weeks, at least eight women, including Canadian TV star Lucy DeCoutere and lawyer Reva Seth, came forward with accusations of unwanted sexual violence at the hands of the radio personality. So far, Ghomeshi, 47, faces seven charges of sexual assault and one charge of choking — and he maintains his innocence. (THE CANADIAN PRESS/Nathan Denette)

► **WACKY WEATHER** It was early September, 2014, when winter hit Calgary with a vengeance. A cold front caused drizzling rain to turn to snow, creating a winter storm that lasted several days. In total, 11.8 centimetres of snow fell on the city — just one millimetre shy of a record set back in 1921. Half of the city's two million trees were damaged, resulting in power outages in some areas. The cleanup cost the city $18 million. (THE CANADIAN PRESS/Nathan Denette)



(THE CANADIAN PRESS/Jeff McIntosh)

► **#BEENRAPEDNEVERREPORTED** The shock of the Jian Ghomeshi allegations brought the topics of sexual assault and consent into the media spotlight. A Facebook conversation between *Toronto Star* reporter Antonia Zerbisias and *Montreal Gazette* justice reporter Sue Montgomery — in which they expressed their frustration at the way sexual assault victims are stigmatized — turned into a full-fledged movement for solidarity. Using the Twitter hashtag #BeenRapedNeverReported, women across Canada shared their stories of assault and explained why they never went to the police. Within 24 hours, the hashtag was trending across the world and retweeted eight million times. (sharpen/Shutterstock)



► **A DREAM IS REALIZED** Though the dream of opening a human rights museum in Canada almost died with media mogul and philanthropist Israel "Izzy" Asper, his daughter, Gail, was determined to carry on. After almost 15 years and $350 million in fundraising, the museum finally opened in Winnipeg in September, 2014. Controversy soon followed. Besides the higher-than-expected costs, Aboriginal groups have threatened to boycott the museum for not calling their historical treatment "genocide," and Ukrainian Canadians decried the exclusion of Holodomir, Stalin's deliberate starvation of Ukrainians, as a permanent exhibit. (Courtesy Canadian Museum of Human Rights)



WORLD





◄▲ **UKRAINE CONFLICT**
In 2014, the conflict between the Ukraine and Russian-backed separatists escalated, in part due to the May election of Petro Poroshenko as president and a landmark trade deal he signed with the EU. Pro-Russian rebels responded to the deal by shooting down a Malaysian Airlines flight, forcing the U.S., Canada and EU to announce new sanctions against Russia. Over 5,000 lives have been lost in the continued conflict, despite a major effort by EU countries to broker a treaty and ceasefire.

▼ **NO TO INDEPENDENCE** When Scotland held a referendum asking "Should Scotland be an independent country?" more than 3.6 million people turned out to have their say — and the No side won by more than 400,000 votes. It's believed that the win was due to an increased feeling of Britishness around the time of the referendum, nervousness about taking an unnecessary risk, and uncertainty about what it would mean for the economy. (© Rex Features [2005] all rights reserved)



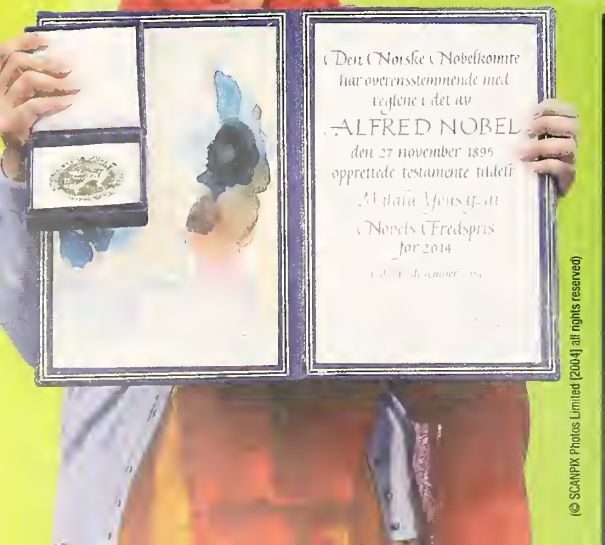
▼► **SCHOOLGIRL KIDNAPPINGS** On April 14, 2014, over 200 Christian schoolgirls were kidnapped from a government-run boarding school in Nigeria. The kidnappers were part of a militant jihadist group known as Boko Haram. Months later, a man named Abubakar Shekau — who claims to be the leader of the group — said the girls were converted to Islam and married off. Boko Haram's reign of terror has continued, including an attack on the Nigerian town of Baga, where the militants set fires and massacred anywhere from 150 to 2,000 people.





(AP Photo / Sunday Alamba)

▼ **NOBEL FOR MALALA** After 16-year-old Malala Yousafzai was shot in the head by the Taliban for going to school, the world learned of her tireless advocacy for education in her home country of Pakistan — and her courageous fight to survive despite all odds. Since then, Malala has published a book on her life, and in October, 2014, she became the youngest person, at 17, to win the Nobel Peace Prize. She stressed the award was not just for her: "It is for those forgotten children who want education. It is for those frightened children who want peace. It is for those voiceless children who want change."



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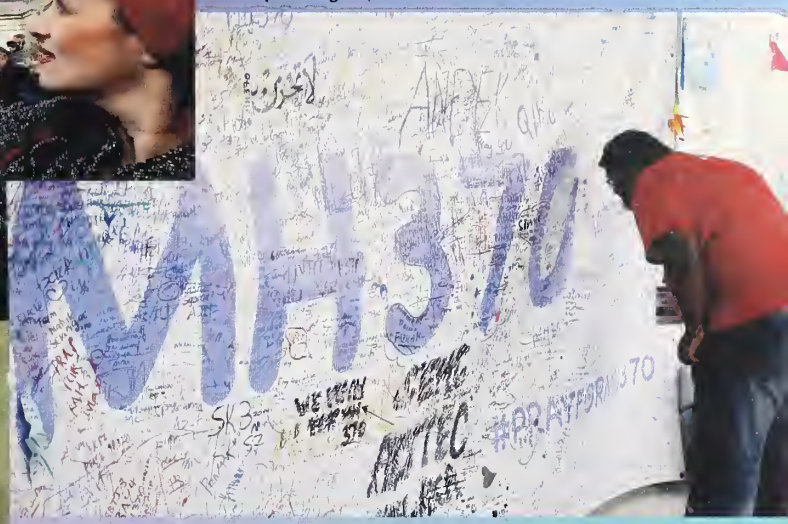
(UN Photo/Mark Garten)

◄ **THE F WORD** Recent college graduate and British actor Emma Watson was named UN Women Goodwill Ambassador in 2014. The *Harry Potter* star kicked off her new position with a passionate speech at the UN headquarters in New York: "Apparently I am among the ranks of women whose expressions are seen as too strong, too aggressive . . . and unattractive," said Watson, addressing misconceptions of feminism. The speech was part of her HeForShe campaign, to bring one billion men and boys together as advocates for gender equality.

▼ **#JeSuisCharlie** On Jan. 7, 2014, two gunmen stormed the office of *Charlie Hebdo*, a French satirical magazine, and opened fire — 12 people were killed, including world-renowned staff cartoonists Charb, Cabu, Honoré, Tignous and Wolinski. The attack, carried out by brothers Cherif and Said Kouachi, was a reaction to the magazine's depictions of the Prophet Muhammad. The shooters were later killed in a gunfight with the police. The world showed its solidarity with the publication through the slogan/hashtag Je Suis Charlie. (© Rex Features [2005] all rights reserved)



▼ **AIR TRAGEDIES** This year seemed to be one of the worst in aviation history. In March, 2014, a Malaysia Airlines flight went missing with 239 people on board, while en route from Kuala Lumpur to Beijing. (Months later, there was still no trace of the plane.) In July, another Malaysia Airlines flight was shot down as it flew through a conflict zone in eastern Ukraine, close to the border of Russia. Then in December, an AirAsia flight from Indonesia went missing in bad weather — though the crash site was found days later. Of the 162 passengers, there were no survivors. (AP Photo/Vincent Thian)





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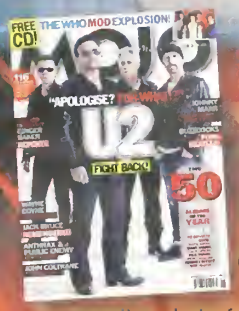
▲ **A NEW EVIL** On Aug. 19, 2014, the Islamic State jihadist group known as ISIS released a video of the beheading of American journalist James Foley. More brutal video killings followed. And ISIS made rapid advances and takeovers in Iraq and Syria. The United States responded with airstrikes, and joined with 60 other countries in a coalition against ISIS. At the same time, Western governments struggled to prevent the group from recruiting young people online with their strong social media presence.

▼ **A POPE'S PROGRESS** During an October, 2014, mass, Pope Francis stated that "God is not afraid of new things." This Pope has turned out to be a modernizing leader, who is asking the church to broaden its views on sexuality, contraception and divorce. He's also denounced capitalism, rejected prejudice against Islam, and doesn't go in for the pomp and circumstance of his lofty position. He's ushered in a new era for the church, bringing to a head the split between reformers and conservatives. To top it off, he helped foster the political thaw between the U.S. and Cuba. (© PA Photos Limited [2001] all rights reserved)





▲ **THE UMBRELLA REVOLUTION** When Beijing reversed its position on holding a democratic election in Hong Kong by 2017, tens of thousands of students took to the streets in protest. What started as an organized sit-in in Hong Kong's business district, quickly escalated into what's become known as the Umbrella Revolution. In clashes with police, protestors used umbrellas to protect themselves against water hoses and pepper spray. The protests, which started in September, 2014, lasted nearly three months — and for the most part the students' pro-democratic demands went unanswered. (© Rex Features [2005] all rights reserved)

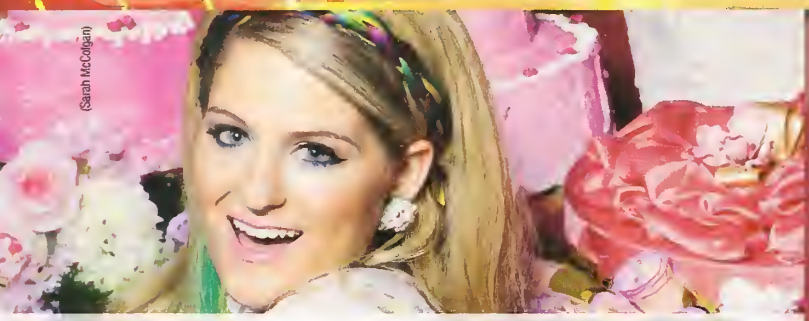


◄ **DOWNLOAD DEBACLE** The public outcry was deafening when, on Sept. 9, 2014, U2's new album, *Songs of Innocence*, was automatically added to Apple users' iTunes libraries. Bono explained the rationale as "a drop of megalomania, a touch of generosity, a dash of self-promotion and deep fear that these songs that we poured our life into over the last few years might not be heard." Others called it "rude." Bono apologized, but was still the winner: 33-million people "experienced" the album.



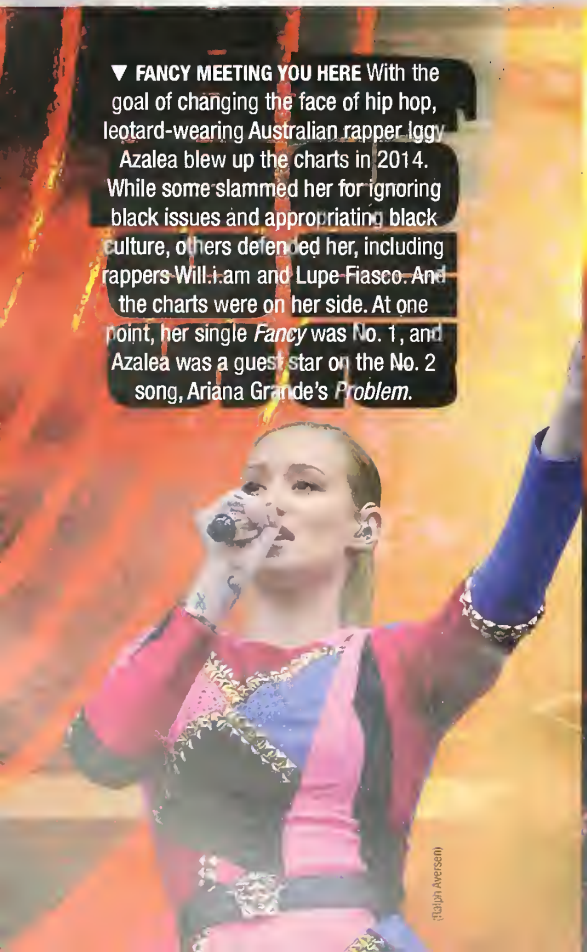
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▲ **BRITISH INVASION** The North American charts were dominated by Brit acts in 2014, especially Ed Sheeran (center) and Sam Smith (right). The soulful singer-songwriters saw their respective albums, *x*, and *In the Lonely Hour*, top the charts. While their singles, *Sing*, and *Stay with Me*, were two of the most popular songs of the year — although it was Smith's *Stay with Me* that officially won the title at the Grammys. Smith walked away with four awards in total, including best new artist. Following in their wake, another soulful Brit, George Ezra (left), arrived on the scene in 2015.



(Sarah McColgan)

▲ **NO FAKE PLASTIC BARBIE DOLL** Meghan Trainor got her record deal by playing her now-famous song, *All About That Bass,* to producer L.A. Reid on a ukulele. The love-your-body-just-the-way-it-is single became a smash No. 1 hit and earned Trainor, a singer-songwriter from Massachusetts, two Grammy nominations. It also led to a duet with Harry Styles of One Direction. They composed a new song together on — you guessed it — a ukulele.



(Tolga Aversen)

▼ **FANCY MEETING YOU HERE** With the goal of changing the face of hip hop, leotard-wearing Australian rapper Iggy Azalea blew up the charts in 2014. While some slammed her for ignoring black issues and appropriating black culture, others defended her, including rappers Will.i.am and Lupe Fiasco. And the charts were on her side. At one point, her single *Fancy* was No. 1, and Azalea was a guest star on the No. 2 song, Ariana Grande's *Problem*.



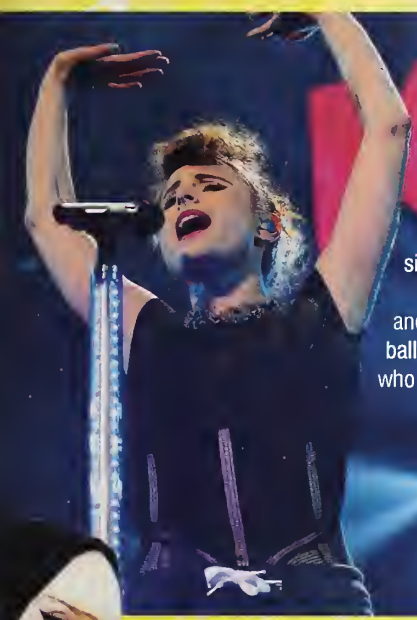
► **SHAKERS GOTTA SHAKE** In 2014, Taylor Swift proved her dominance over pop music was no fluke, with another No. 1 record, *1989*, a Dick Clark Award of Excellence at the American Music Awards, and that irresistible single, *Shake it Off*. The catchy song had everyone singing along — including a burly Delaware police officer who became a viral video sensation. Never one to shy away from personal lyrics, Swift acknowledged what the haters had been saying about her brains, talent and personal life, and then proceeded to ... shake it off. (MediaPunch/REX (4301213ba)

► **ALL 4 LOVE** One Direction celebrated four years of being together with the November, 2014, release of their fourth album, *Four* — which of course became their fourth No. 1. Four months later, 1D fans had their worlds turned upside down as member Zayn Malik unexpectedly quit the band during a world tour, saying he wanted to be a "normal 22-year-old." He immediately started working on solo music — drawing ire from his former bandmates and fans.



(AP Photo/Lionel Cironneau)

► **DANCING WITH SHARKS** Katy Perry rode an animatronic tiger, danced with adorable sharks and piloted a shooting star across the length of a football field during her 2015 Super Bowl halftime performance. While solidifying the fact that she always puts on a good show, Perry was somewhat upstaged musically by her guests, Lenny Kravitz, and in particular Missy Elliott.



◄ **ONE-TAKE WONDER** Canadian singer Kiesza landed on the music scene in 2014 with the *Hideaway* video, in which she melds multiple dancing styles in a four-minute, one-take, back-alley routine. The singer, with the flaming red steamhawk hairdo, knows a little about discipline and getting it right — she was a trained ballerina and a Canadian navy reservist, who was voted "top shot" at boot camp for her gun skills.



◄ **RED LOBSTER RAP** This was the year Nicki Minaj showed her softer side. In a 2015 MTV special, the usually tough-as-steel rapper admitted she was once a struggling Red Lobster waitress. And in her *Pinkprint* album/movie, she detailed the breakup of her 11-year relationship. She continued to try to be a role model to young women — in true Nicki Minaj fashion — telling *Rolling Stone* magazine: "If you got a big ol' butt? Shake it! Who cares? That doesn't mean you shouldn't be graduating from college."



▲ **WAS BEY ROBBED?** Beyoncé was expected to win album of the year at the 2015 Grammys for her critically acclaimed, chart-topping, audio-visual masterpiece *Beyoncé*. But it was Beck who walked away with the golden gramophone, for his 12th album, the quietly contemplative *Morning Phase*. Never one to hold back his opinion, Kanye West (below, right) jokingly stormed the stage during Beck's acceptance speech, but did tell reporters afterward: "Beck needs to respect artistry and he should have given his award to Beyoncé." It took just over two weeks, but Kanye eventually apologized via Twitter.

(Lawrence K. Ho/Los Angeles Times/TNS)



(Robert Gauthier/Los Angeles Times/TNS)

LIFESTYLE

► NORMAL IS THE NEW BLACK
The fashion trend most searched on Google in 2014 was 'Normcore,' a style that was first reported by KHole, a New York-based trendspotting group. According to the *New York* magazine article that brought Normcore to the mainstream masses, it's "embracing sameness deliberately as a new way of being cool... In fashion, this manifests itself in ardently ordinary clothes." Those looking for normcore role models found inspiration in Jerry Seinfeld, President Barack Obama (when not in a suit) and Tina Fey's *30 Rock* character, Liz Lemon.



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▲ #SOCIALMOVEMENTS In 2014, Twitter showed its potential as an instrument for social change. When Boko Haram kidnapped 200 girls in Nigeria in April, the hashtag #BringBackOurGirls was retweeted millions of times — even First Lady Michelle Obama posted a picture in support. And after the August murder of Canadian Aboriginal teen, Tina Fontaine, other Aboriginal women took to Twitter asking #AmINext. Also hashtags like #BlackLivesMatter and #UmbrellaRevolution brought citizens together and shone a light on social injustice.

► PUT THE KETTLE ON While weights with handles have been used for exercise in Russia since the 1700s, kettlebells have only recently caught on in the rest of the world. Penélope Cruz, Jennifer Aniston, Vanessa Hudgens and the Indianapolis Colts all work out with kettlebells, which look like small bowling balls with handles. It was also one of the most searched fitness trends on Google in 2014. A study showed that using kettlebells for training can reduce pain in the head, neck and shoulders, and in a 20-minute workout kettlebells can help burn 21 calories a minute. (Deymos.HR/Shutterstock)



► IPHONE SLIMS DOWN The iPhone has come a long way from the chunky brick it was when first released in 2007. Responding to critics who've said Apple's done little to change its designs in the fast-paced smartphone market, the company released the iPhone 6 and iPhone 6 plus (on Sept. 19, 2014), with a larger screen and slimmer profile. Clearly Apple fans were satisfied — the company sold 10 million the first weekend out, breaking all previous sales records. (Zeynep Demir/Shutterstock)





◄ $10 BILLION AND COUNTING *Call of Duty*, the wildly successful video game franchise from Activision, hit a huge milestone in 2014: The series officially reached $10 billion in lifetime sales since it was launched in 2003. Plus, the latest release, *Call of Duty: Advanced Warfare*, was the top-selling game of the year. Fans got a pleasant surprise when they discovered that Kevin Spacey was cast as the game's main villain, Jonathan Irons — a warmonger obsessed with power.



▲ TUBE TREND The YouTube "unboxing" trend is as simple as this: post a video of yourself opening the latest tech gadget or consumer product, while narrating your appreciation of its packaging and design. Then people watch it — lots of people. In 2014, "unboxing" became a bona fide craze, with searches rocketing up 57 per cent from the year before. Some of the most popular "unboxed" products include, anything made by Apple, beauty boxes, American Girl dolls and Kinder Surprise eggs. (Romazur)

top hot apps 2014

FREE APPS:

top
- Facebook Messenger
- Snapchat
- YouTube
- Facebook
- Instagram

- Pandora Radio
- Google maps
- Flipagram
- Spotify Music
- 2048

PAID APPS:

- Heads Up!
- Minecraft: Pocket Edition
- Afterlight
- Plague Inc.
- Sleep Style Alarm Clock

- Facetune
- Cut the Rope 2
- Bloons TD 5
- A Dark Room
- 7 Minute Workout Challenge

Google greatest hits 2014

- Robin Williams
- World Cup
- Ebola
- Malaysia Airlines
- ALS Ice Bucket Challenge
- Flappy Bird
- Conchita Wurst
- ISIS
- Frozen
- Sochi Olympics

SERIAL



◀ **SERIAL SUCCESS** *This American Life* journalist Sarah Koenig pulled in at least five million listeners to her addictive 2014 podcast, *Serial*. Koenig investigated a 15-year-old crime involving a Baltimore teenager, Adnan Syed, who was convicted of murdering his 18-year-old ex-girlfriend Hae Min Lee. Koenig's research and on-air interviews with witnesses reveals possible loose ends and missed evidence in the state's case against Syed. The podcast was so popular that a new witness has stepped forward with a possible alibi for Syed — making him eligible for appeal later in 2015. (Courtesy Serial)



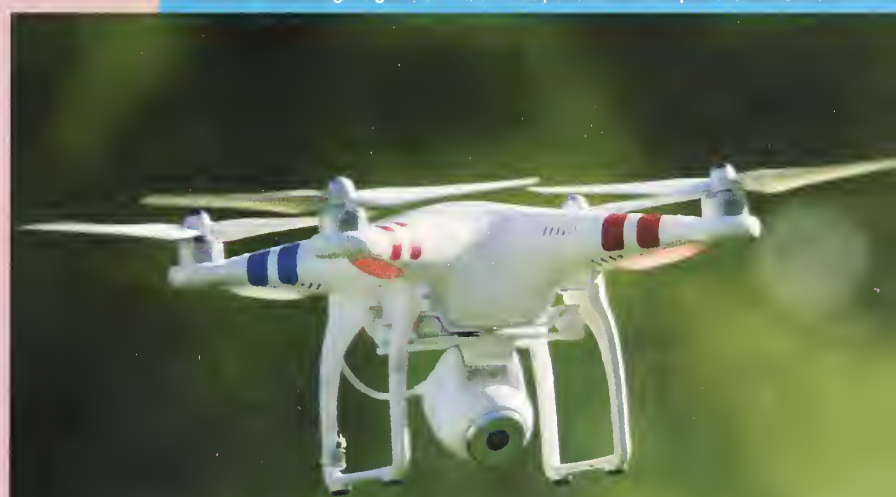
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▲ **GET FIT, BIT BY BIT** A tiny fitness gadget may just be the personal trainer of the century. Dominating 50 per cent of the wearables market this year, FitBit is a portable clip or bracelet that gives stats on how well you sleep, how active you are, and how well-rounded your diet is. It calculates your basal metabolic rate using your age, height and sex to determine if you're moving enough, and how well you've slept — giving the wearer an impetus to develop healthier habits.



▲ **BREAK THE INTERNET** The November 2014 edition of *Paper* magazine had a very cheeky cover of Kim Kardashian — in which she shows off her world-famous, voluptuous butt, with a headline challenge to "Break the Internet." Within the issue's pages were other risqué photos. While the Internet survived, the photo shoot had everyone talking, and the online version of the photos amassed over 34 million unique page views.
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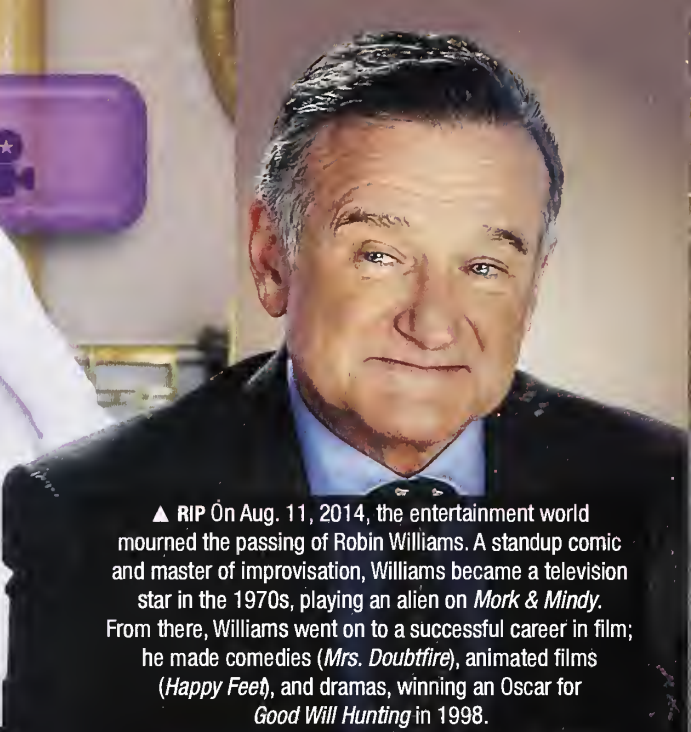


△ **ORBS AND OCTOCOPTERS** Analysts predict that the global market for personal drones will reach $130 million by the end of 2015 — up a whopping 55 per cent from the year before. It was certainly the must-have gift of Christmas 2014. Meanwhile, governments are barely keeping up; while consumer drone use is legal, the growing popularity and rapid pace of the technology is raising questions about air safety and privacy.
(Diedra Laird/Charlotte Observer/MCT)



◄► A QUEEN, A TEEN, A PITT AND A POPE It was an eventful year for Angelina Jolie. On Aug. 23, 2014, the 39-year-old Hollywood star married Brad Pitt in France in front of their six children; in October, she was bestowed an honorary damehood by the Queen of England for her humanitarian work on sexual violence; she directed the war film *Unbroken*, which was released in November; and in January, 2015, Jolie met the Pope. But when she was asked about her most memorable moment, she said it was her oldest child, Maddox, becoming a teenager.

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▲ RIP On Aug. 11, 2014, the entertainment world mourned the passing of Robin Williams. A standup comic and master of improvisation, Williams became a television star in the 1970s, playing an alien on *Mork & Mindy*. From there, Williams went on to a successful career in film; he made comedies (*Mrs. Doubtfire*), animated films (*Happy Feet*), and dramas, winning an Oscar for *Good Will Hunting* in 1998.

(Richard Cartwright/©CBS/courtesy Everett Collection)



▲ TO VENICE WITH LOVE It's official: Hollywood's most eligible bachelor is finally off the market. Historic parts of Venice were shut down over three days in September for George Clooney and Amal Alamuddin's wedding extravaganza. There were pre-parties, bachelor and bachelorette celebrations, and, of course, the wedding ceremony and reception. And it all ended with a civil service. The movie star and British human rights lawyer surrounded themselves with family and plenty of celebrity friends, including Matt Damon and Bono. All the guests received iPods preloaded with a wedding playlist.



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(Francis Specker/Landov/MCT)

◄ DIVA DIVORCE After six years of marriage, Mariah Carey and TV star Nick Cannon (*America's Got Talent*) filed for divorce in December, 2014. While the couple has tried to keep things amicable for their twin three-year-olds, there have been harsh words around settlements and custody. Soon after the split, Carey announced a residency at Caesars Palace in Las Vegas, where she'll perform all of her 18 No. 1 hit songs.

► OUT OF CONTROL Perennial bad boy Justin Bieber had another year of scandalous headlines. While driving a three-wheeled motorcycle, Bieber nearly ran down an elderly woman with a walker. He also threw eggs at a house on his street, causing an estimated $20,000 in damages — though he ended up having to pay $80,000. Bieber attempted to turn it all around with a videotaped apology for his strange year of stunts. Going as far as to say that he's been pretending to be someone he is not. Then he dyed his hair brown.

TELEVISION



► **LEGO BART** In the 25th anniversary special of *The Simpsons*, "Brick Like Me," Springfield and its residents are turned into Lego characters. Homer is torn between his old life and the new Lego-fied one, where he can finally bond with Lisa and live in a world where "everything fits together and no one gets hurt." Eventually, Lisa ditches him to see the new *Survival Games* movie, a spoof of *The Hunger Games*, and Homer must find a way to return to his previous life. D'oh!

(Courtesy Lego)

▼ **NEW GIRL** Disney's breakout hit show of 2014 was *Girl Meets World* — a spinoff of 1990s series *Boy Meets World*. In the sequel, Cory Matthews and Topanga Lawrence live in New York City — and the plot revolves around the antics of their tween daughter Riley Matthews (Rowan Blanchard) and her best friend Maya Hart (Sabrina Carpenter). Teen stars Blanchard and Carpenter created a buzz as besties both on screen and off, and became style icons thanks to their popular Instagram accounts.

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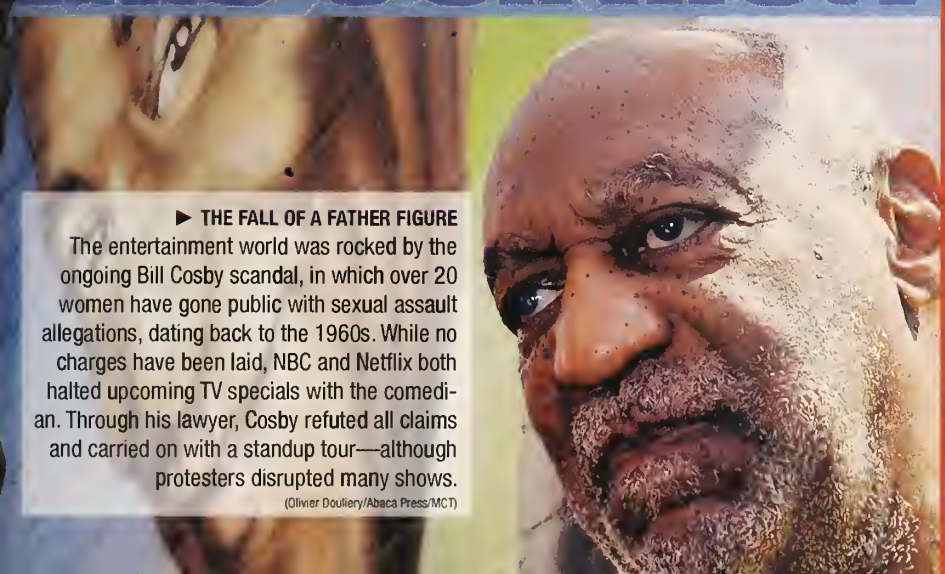


▲ **REVOLVING DOORS** Late-night television hosts played musical chairs in 2014/2015, with Craig Ferguson, David Letterman and *The Daily Show*'s Jon Stewart vacating their seats. Stephen Colbert took over Letterman's spot and Seth Meyers grabbed the gig at NBC's *Late Night* (replacing Jimmy Fallon, who had jumped to *The Tonight Show* early in 2014). The biggest splash was made by English satirist and *Daily Show* alum John Oliver, who launched HBO's *Last Week Tonight*. His rants on everything from sugar to net neutrality made him a viral video superstar. (Helga Esteb / Shutterstock.com)

▼ **GOODBYE GLEE** They laughed, they cried, they sang over 700 songs — but all good *Glee* must come to an end. In its six seasons, the show made glee club and "gleeks" cool again, introduced young audiences to music from every decade, set the standard for realistic gay youth storylines, and made stars out of Lea Michele, Darren Criss, Chris Colfer — and even non-teen actors Jane Lynch and Matthew Morrison. The final episodes saw plenty of emotion, including an homage to the late actor Cory Monteith, who, for the first four seasons, played quarterback-turned-singer Finn.

(Tyler Golden/FOX)





► **THE FALL OF A FATHER FIGURE** The entertainment world was rocked by the ongoing Bill Cosby scandal, in which over 20 women have gone public with sexual assault allegations, dating back to the 1960s. While no charges have been laid, NBC and Netflix both halted upcoming TV specials with the comedian. Through his lawyer, Cosby refuted all claims and carried on with a standup tour—although protesters disrupted many shows.

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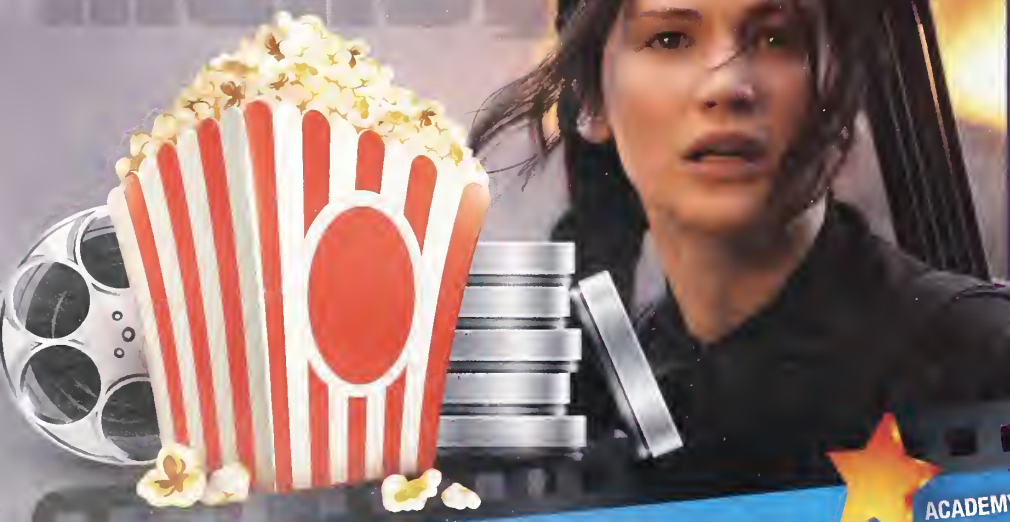


▲ **AUTOBOTS VS. DECEPTICONS** *Transformers: Age of Extinction* was the only film to pass $1 billion this year — and was the No. 1 movie worldwide. Directed by expert-city-destroyer Michael Bay, the fourth *Transformers* featured an impressive cast, including Mark Wahlberg, Kelsey Grammer and Stanley Tucci. Even with these "respectable" actors, the movie was widely panned and garnered a slew of Razzie nominations. Yet not surprisingly, the fifth *Transformers* is expected to land in theatres in 2016. (Industrial Light & Magic/©Paramount Pictures/Courtesy Everett Collection)

▲ **SILLY SUPERHEROES** It seems the world was ready for a superhero who doesn't take himself too seriously. Enter Star Lord from Marvel's *Guardians of the Galaxy*, played by lovable doofus Chris Pratt. The movie also had an irresistible soundtrack (full of hits from the '70s), a gun-toting raccoon voiced by Bradley Cooper and a dancing Baby Groot. No wonder it left the year's other big-screen superheroes — including *Captain America*, *Spider-Man* and *X-Men* — all eating its dust.

▶ **REEL REVOLUTION** If you thought the first two *Hunger Games* movies were dark, 2014's *The Hunger Games: Mockingjay - Part 1* took it to a whole new level. Katniss is living underground, wearing a drab revolutionary uniform and completely estranged from Peeta. But that didn't deter moviegoers. *Mockingjay – Part 1* was the year's highest-grossing movie in the U.S. and No. 6 in the worldwide box office. (Murray Close)

▶ **LONG ROAD TO VICTORY** It took 12 years to make *Boyhood*, but Richard Linklater's experiment in patience paid off — in the way of critical acclaim, a Golden Globe for Best Drama and a Best Actress Oscar for Patricia Arquette. Linklater's film, shot from 2002 to 2013 with the same actors, tells the story of a boy growing up with divorced parents in Texas. The music, acting and honesty hit home with audiences — and showed the movie industry that good things come to those who wait.



2014 TOP-GROSSING MOVIES WORLDWIDE

TRANSFORMERS: AGE OF EXTINCTION, *$1.09 billion*
THE HOBBIT: THE BATTLE OF THE FIVE ARMIES, *$951.6 million*
GUARDIANS OF THE GALAXY, *$774.2 million*
MALEFICENT, *$758.4 million*
THE HUNGER GAMES: MOCKINGJAY – PART 1, *$751.4 million*
X-MEN: DAYS OF FUTURE PAST, *$748 million*

ACADEMY AWARDS: MAJOR CATEGORIES

Best Picture – *Birdman*
Best Director – *Alejandro González Iñárritu (Birdman)*
Best Actor – *Eddie Redmayne (The Theory of Everything)*
Best Actress – *Julianne Moore (Still Alice)*
Best Supporting Actor – *J.K. Simmons (Whiplash)*
Best Supporting Actress – *Patricia Arquette (Boyhood)*

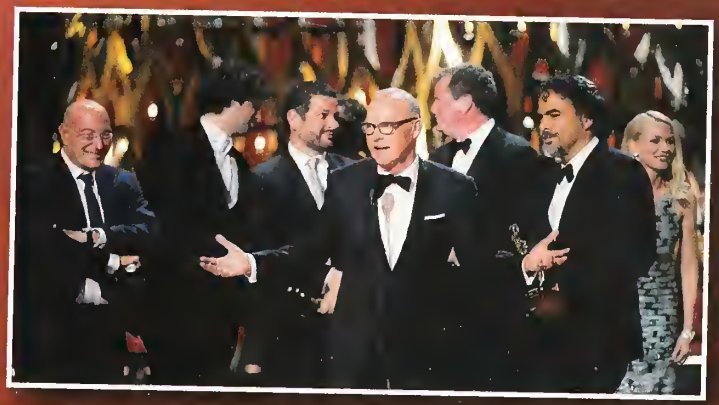


▲ **STRANGER THAN FICTION** James Franco and Seth Rogen made a comedy about assassinating Kim Jong-un, called *The Interview* — and North Koreans took it way too seriously. The country was allegedly behind the cyber attack on the film's studio, Sony Pictures, which leaked employee and celebrity information. Theatres pulled *The Interview* for fear of repercussions, so Sony released it digitally. Despite bad reviews, way more people saw the film out of curiosity and patriotism than if North Korea had just left well enough alone. (Courtesy Fox Searchlight/MCT)

(Marvel/MCT)



► **GRAB A TISSUE** *The Fault in Our Stars* was a major box-office success, thanks to popular source material (John Green's 2012 YA novel of the same name) and two actors with chemistry. Shailene Woodley and Ansel Elgort were perfect as teen cancer patients taking off to Amsterdam. The film pulled in over $300 million at the box office and propelled the book to the top of the bestseller charts again. As the film's characters say, that's "okay." (James Bridges/20th Century Fox/TNS)



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▲ **SOARING SUCCESS** The Academy Award for Best Picture of 2014 went to *Birdman*. In the film, Michael Keaton plays a washed-up movie superhero attempting to make a comeback on Broadway, while dealing with a narcissistic co-star (Edward Norton) and a recovering addict daughter (Emma Stone). Keaton himself was once a movie superhero, playing Batman in the late 1980s and early 1990s. While *Birdman* has garnered Keaton critical acclaim, he lost the Oscar for Best Actor to Eddie Redmayne, who played Stephen Hawking in *The Theory of Everything*.



(Courtesy IFC Films)

◄ **THE VILLAIN'S TALE** *Maleficent* is the story of *Sleeping Beauty*, told from the perspective of the evil fairy godmother — played by Angelina Jolie at her villainous best. With sharp black horns, bold red lips and fantastically fierce wings, Jolie was breathtaking. While she was snubbed at the Oscars, the film picked up Best Picture at the People's Choice Awards. (Frank Connor/Disney Enterprises, Inc. All Rights Reserved.)

► **BYE BYE BILBO** It's the end of an era for J.R.R. Tolkien fans. With the release of *The Hobbit: Battle of the Five Armies*, all of the fantasy writer's middle earth books have been adapted. But fans have had trouble letting go of Bilbo, often asking the actor who played him, Martin Freeman, if he misses the character. Freeman (of BBC's *The Office* and *Sherlock*) politely responds, "No, I don't think he's real. And I don't think I am him." So much for fantasy.

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▼ ► OFF-SIDE It was a scandal-plagued season for the NFL, beginning with the video of Baltimore Raven Ray Rice knocking out his fiancée in an Atlantic City casino elevator. After initially giving Rice a light sentence, the league changed its policy on domestic violence and began to address it more seriously. Next up was Minnesota Vikings running back Adrian Peterson, who was sent before a grand jury for whipping his four-year-old son with a tree branch. And the season ended with Deflategate, the alleged cheating scandal that cast a pall over Super Bowl winners the New England Patriots.
(Carlos Gonzalez/Minneapolis Star Tribune/MCT)


(Kenneth K. Lam/Baltimore Sun/MCT)

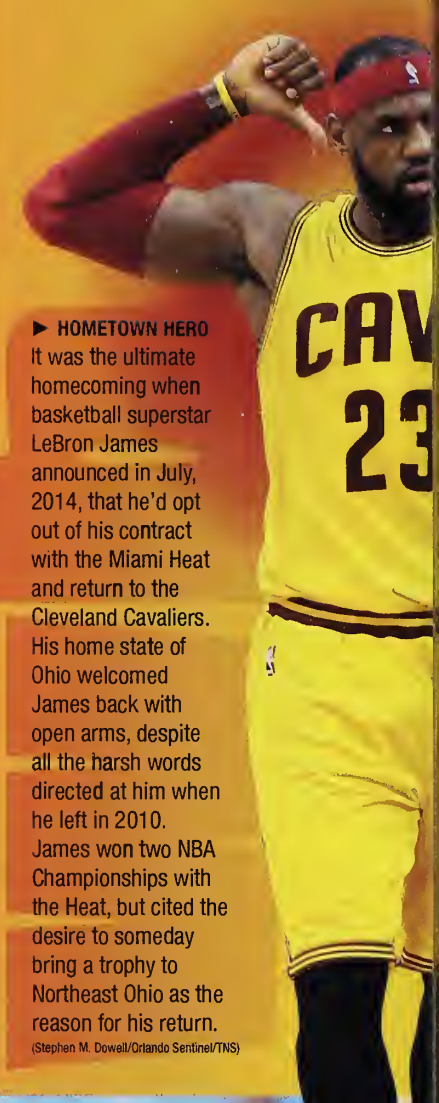
SPORTS WINS

SUPER BOWL:
New England Patriots
(over the Seattle Seahawks)

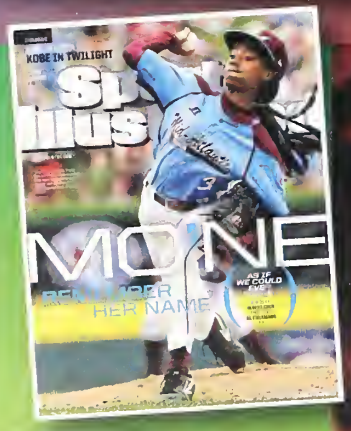
WORLD SERIES:
San Francisco Giants
(over the Kansas City Royals)

NBA FINAL:
San Antonio Spurs
(over the Miami Heat)

STANLEY CUP:
Los Angeles Kings
(over the New York Rangers)

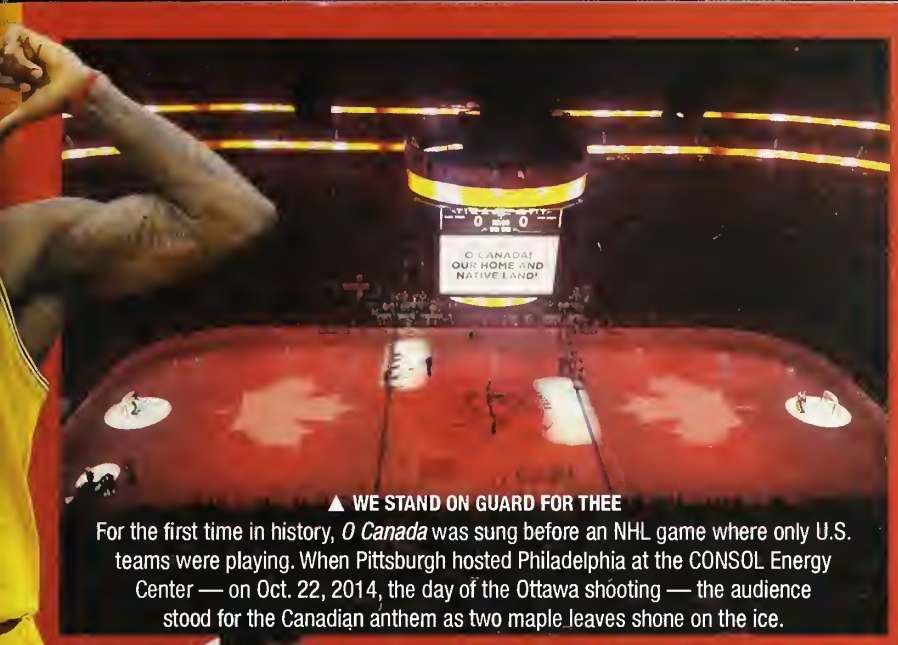


► HOMETOWN HERO It was the ultimate homecoming when basketball superstar LeBron James announced in July, 2014, that he'd opt out of his contract with the Miami Heat and return to the Cleveland Cavaliers. His home state of Ohio welcomed James back with open arms, despite all the harsh words directed at him when he left in 2010. James won two NBA Championships with the Heat, but cited the desire to someday bring a trophy to Northeast Ohio as the reason for his return.
(Stephen M. Dowell/Orlando Sentinel/TNS)

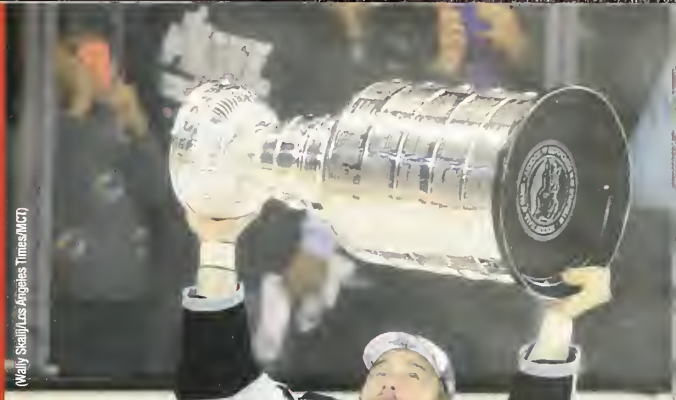


▲ THROWS LIKE A GIRL One of the biggest sports celebrities of 2014 was 13-year-old baseball phenom Mo'ne Davis, who landed on the cover of *Sports Illustrated* after pitching a shutout in the Mid-Atlantic final that sent her Philadelphia team to the Little League World Series. Davis, who throws an impressive 70 miles per hour fastball, was also the first girl to pitch a shutout at the World Series tournament. Meanwhile, baseball isn't even her main sport, as she hopes to go to University of Connecticut on a basketball scholarship and eventually play in the WNBA.
(Sports Illustrated)

▼ BRAZIL GETS THE FEVER
Brazil put on an exuberant FIFA World Cup in the summer of 2014. But the host country lost to Germany in the semifinals, before Germany went on to win the tournament. There were plenty of memorable moments, including the U.S. coach, Jürgen Klinsmann, telling American soccer fans to keep their expectations low, the impressive Colombian team dance, and Uruguayan striker Luis "The Biter" Suarez, who was banned from any football-related activity for four months after biting an Italian player on the shoulder.
(AP Photo/Ricardo Mazalan)



▲ WE STAND ON GUARD FOR THEE
For the first time in history, *O Canada* was sung before an NHL game where only U.S. teams were playing. When Pittsburgh hosted Philadelphia at the CONSOL Energy Center — on Oct. 22, 2014, the day of the Ottawa shooting — the audience stood for the Canadian anthem as two maple leaves shone on the ice.


(Wally Skalij/Los Angeles Times/MCT)

► ALL HAIL THE KINGS
The Los Angeles Kings worked hard to make it to the Stanley Cup Finals, coming from behind in the first two playoff series, and playing three consecutive Game 7s, all on the road. So it was a surprise when, in the Finals, they handily beat the New York Rangers four games to one, to win their second Stanley Cup championship in three seasons. Kings right wing Justin Williams won the Conn Smythe Trophy for Stanley Cup MVP for his nine goals and 16 assists in the post-season.


(Antoine Couvercelle/UPPA/Zuma Press/MCT)

◄▼ CANADIAN COURT ROYALTY
The world took notice of Canadian tennis in 2014, when the country's two best singles players, Eugenie Bouchard and Milos Raonic, reached the Wimbledon finals and semifinals respectively. The Wimbledon website reported: "Canadian tennis: Something to talk about." While both players lost their matches, it was no less historic — as it was the first time a Canadian man reached the semis at Wimbledon in more than 100 years and the first time a Canadian woman reached the finals of any Grand Slam tournament. At the end of the season, Bouchard was named the WTA's Most Improved Player.
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▲ AN ENGAGING YEAR
In May, 2014, the golf world was focused on Rory McIlroy's private life, after he called off his wedding engagement to tennis pro Caroline Wozniacki. But that was quickly forgotten when he started racking up tournament wins, including his third major (the 2014 Open Championship) before the age of 25 — something only Jack Nicklaus and Tiger Woods have done before him. He went on to win the PGA championship, and was named PGA Player of the Year. He says he'll play for Ireland in the 2016 Olympics, where golf will be a medal event for the first time since 1904.
(Paul Childs/Action Images/ZUMA Wire/MCT)


(Patrick Doyle)

► WELCOME TO THE CFL The summer of 2014 saw the introduction of the Ottawa RedBlacks to the Canadian Football League, the third CFL team to call the capital city home. In its first year out, the RedBlacks struggled and finished last in the league. Meanwhile, the Hamilton Tiger-Cats and Calgary Stampeders met in the 102nd Grey Cup in Vancouver. Thanks to an electric performance from Stampeders' quarterback Bo Levi Mitchell, a six-foot-two, 196-lb. Texan, Calgary bested Hamilton 20-16, and the Ticats 15-year Grey Cup trophy drought continues.

◄ ROOKIE FROM THE NORTH
Thornhill, Ont.'s Andrew Wiggins was picked No. 1 in the 2014 NBA draft, after an impressive season at the University of Kansas. Wiggins was selected by the Cleveland Cavaliers and for a brief period looked like he was going to play with LeBron James — but the Cavs traded him to the Minnesota Timberwolves for Kevin Love. In Minnesota, Wiggins had a great rookie year, matching up against James, Kevin Durant, and Kobe Bryant, who said of Wiggins: "It was like looking at a reflection of myself 19 years ago."
(AP Photo/John Locher, File)



◀ A JURASSIC DISCOVERY Dinosaurs were big news in 2014: In May, a farmer in Argentina discovered a new species of titanosaur. By studying the creature's thigh bone, paleontologists determined it was the largest animal known to have walked the Earth: 130 feet long and 65 feet tall. Months later, researchers studying the Pelagornis sandersi, an ancient extinct bird fossil found in South Carolina in 1983, announced that the albatross-like bird had the largest wingspan in recorded history — at 21 feet.

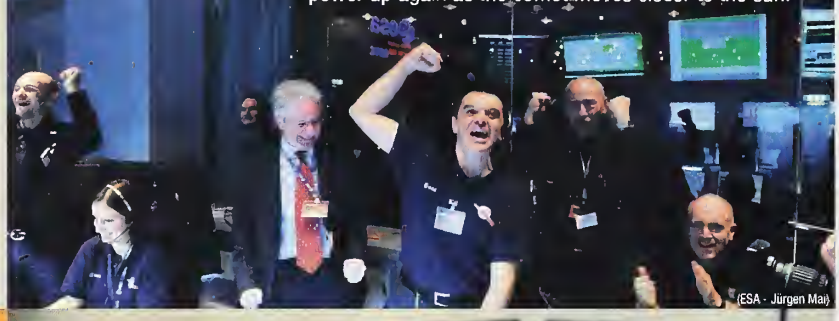
(Charles Fox/Philadelphia Inquirer/MCT



(ESA/Rosetta/NAVCAM)

(ESA)

▲▼◀ ONE GIANT LEAP FOR MANKIND In 2004, the European Space Agency launched the Rosetta spacecraft, armed with the Philae probe, with the goal of landing on a comet in 10 years. On Nov. 12, 2014, Philae made contact with comet 67P/Churyumov-Gerasimenko — and immediately sent back data for scientists to analyze. Unfortunately, the three systems designed to keep Philae in place failed to deploy, and it bounced across the comet, coming to rest in an area too dark for its solar-powered batteries. There is hope it will power up again as the comet moves closer to the sun.



(ESA - Jürgen Mai)

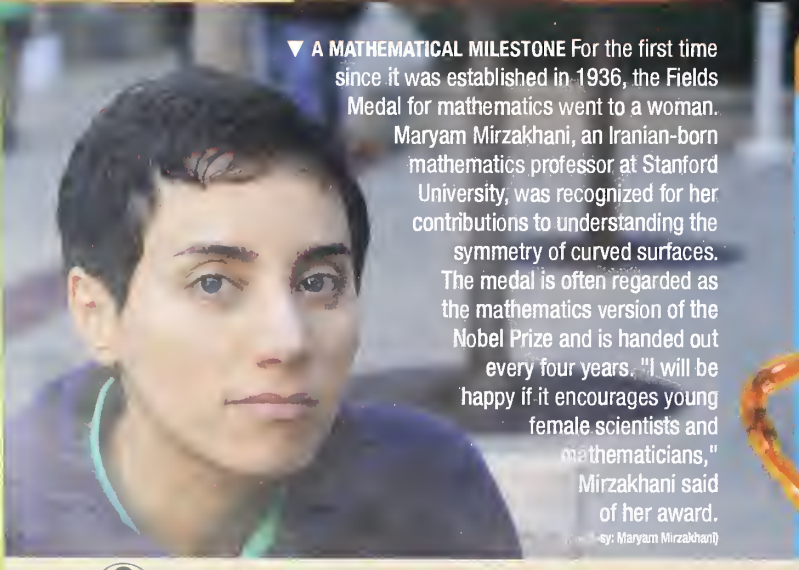


◀ IT'S GETTING HOT HERE Giving climate-change deniers a run for their money, scientists announced that 2014 was the hottest year on record. According to NASA, the US National Oceanic and Atmospheric Association and the UK Met Office, the global temperature was higher than the 1961-1990 average. The findings were released in a report called "Status of The Global Climate," which was presented to the United Nations in Lima, Peru, as they discussed a new global climate deal to be signed in Paris in 2015.(VladisChern/Shutterstock)



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(Anda Chu/Bay Area News Group/MCT)



▼ A MATHEMATICAL MILESTONE For the first time since it was established in 1936, the Fields Medal for mathematics went to a woman. Maryam Mirzakhani, an Iranian-born mathematics professor at Stanford University, was recognized for her contributions to understanding the symmetry of curved surfaces. The medal is often regarded as the mathematics version of the Nobel Prize and is handed out every four years. "I will be happy if it encourages young female scientists and mathematicians," Mirzakhani said of her award.

(Courtesy: Maryam Mirzakhani)



▲◀ THE EBOLA CRISIS According to the Centers For Disease Control and Prevention, the Ebola outbreak that shocked the world in 2014 was the largest outbreak in history. The first case was a toddler in Guinea who died in December, 2013 — but the number of people infected increased rapidly by March. As the virus spread further away to countries like the United States, the World Health Organization scrambled to find a vaccine. While some parts of Africa have been declared Ebola free, others continue to be affected. At least 9,000 people in West Africa have died because of the virus.

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